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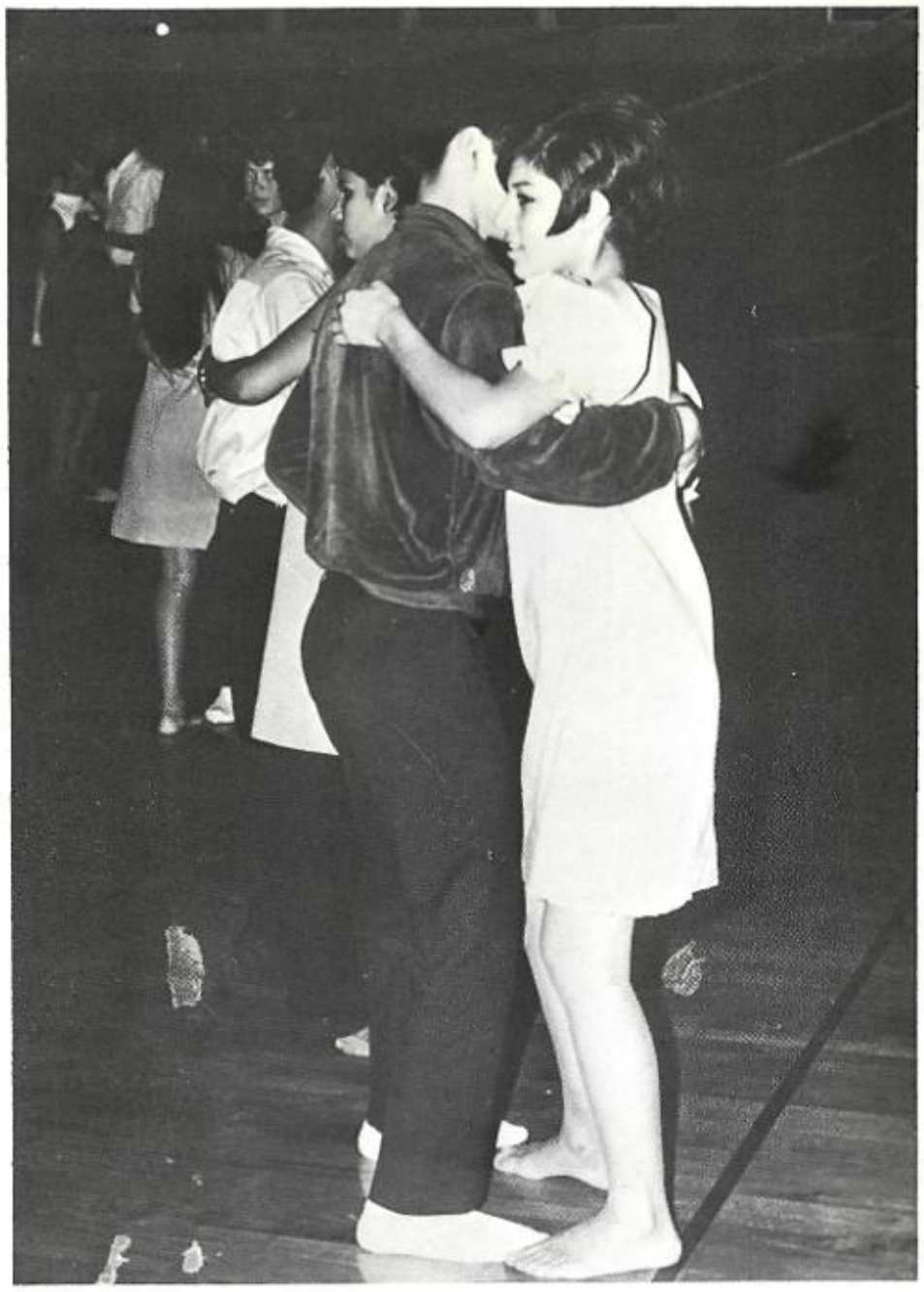
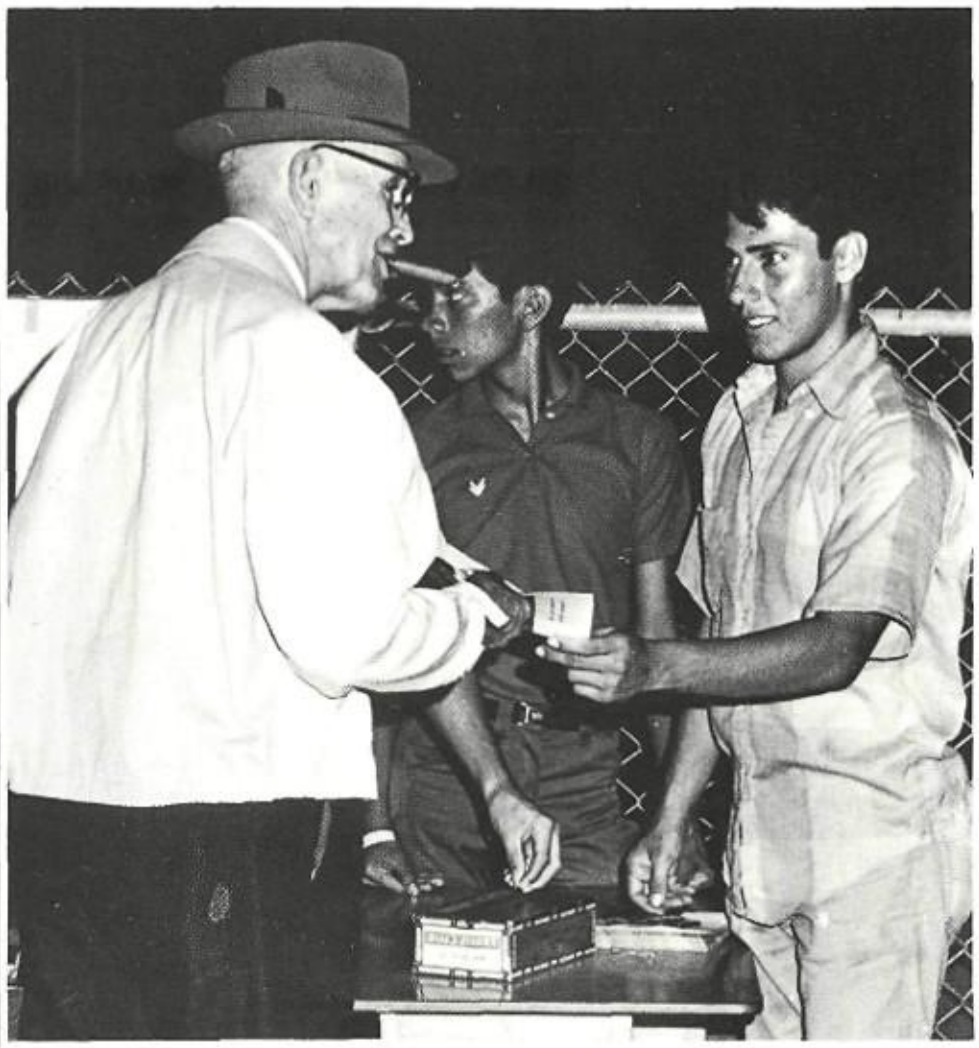
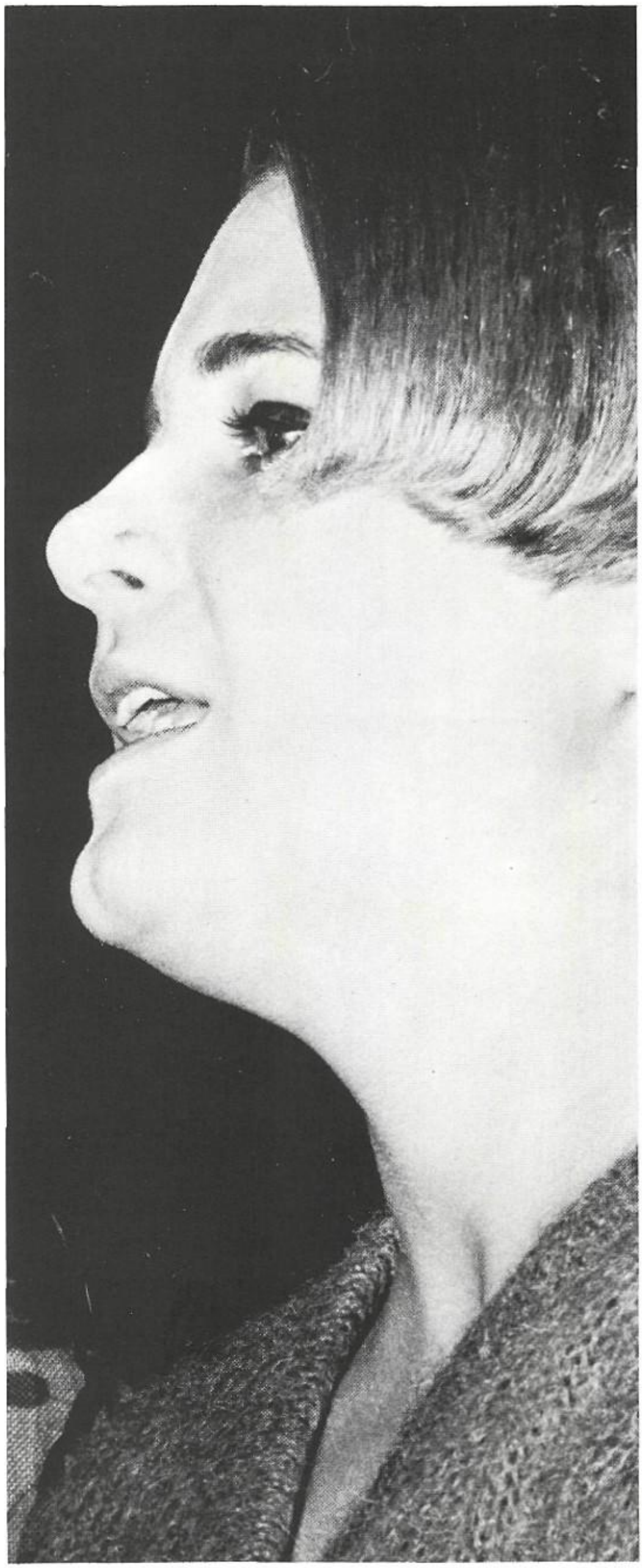




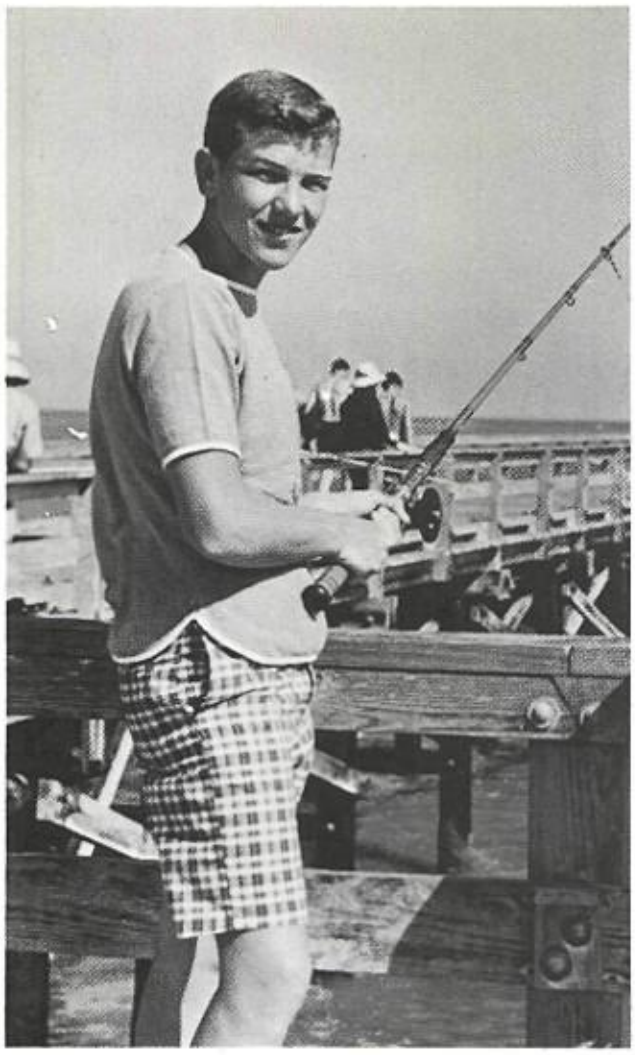
Foreword

A school building is constructed of steel and cement, strong and permanent, but it is designed to accommodate an everchanging flow of students. Year after year buses empty their loads each morning, and people stream in waves into the hallways and classrooms. To the rhythm of bells, tides of people wash in and out of the rooms and corridors and finally empty. Carl Sandburg in his poem "Skyscraper" says, "It is the men and women, boys and girls so poured in and out all day that give the building a soul of dreams and thoughts and memories." As each individual forms a part of the mass, so each personality contributes to the whole of TRACK'S soul--that abstract thing we call school spirit. The Track's Staff presents this abstract collection of people and events which filled our school year.



Stimulate . . .

to excite to activity or growth or to greater activity.

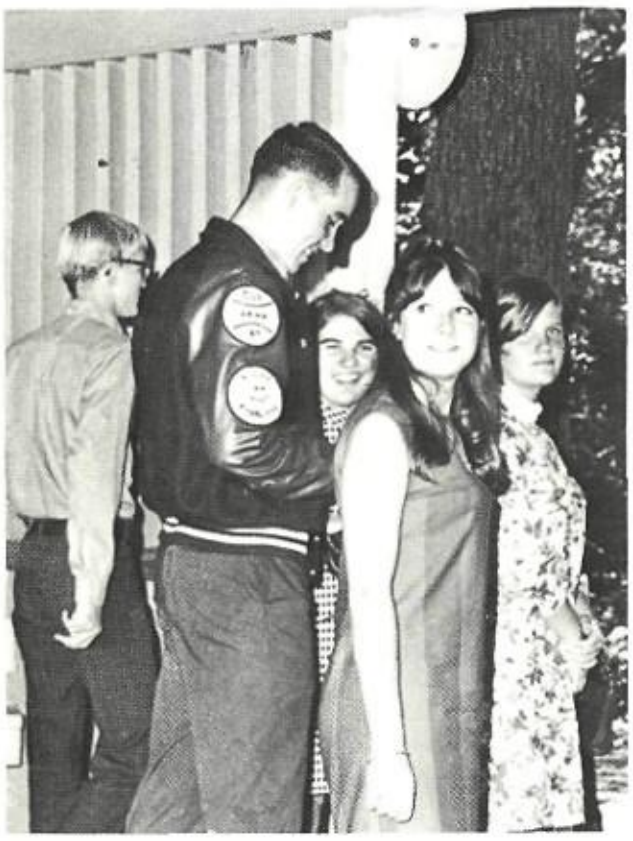


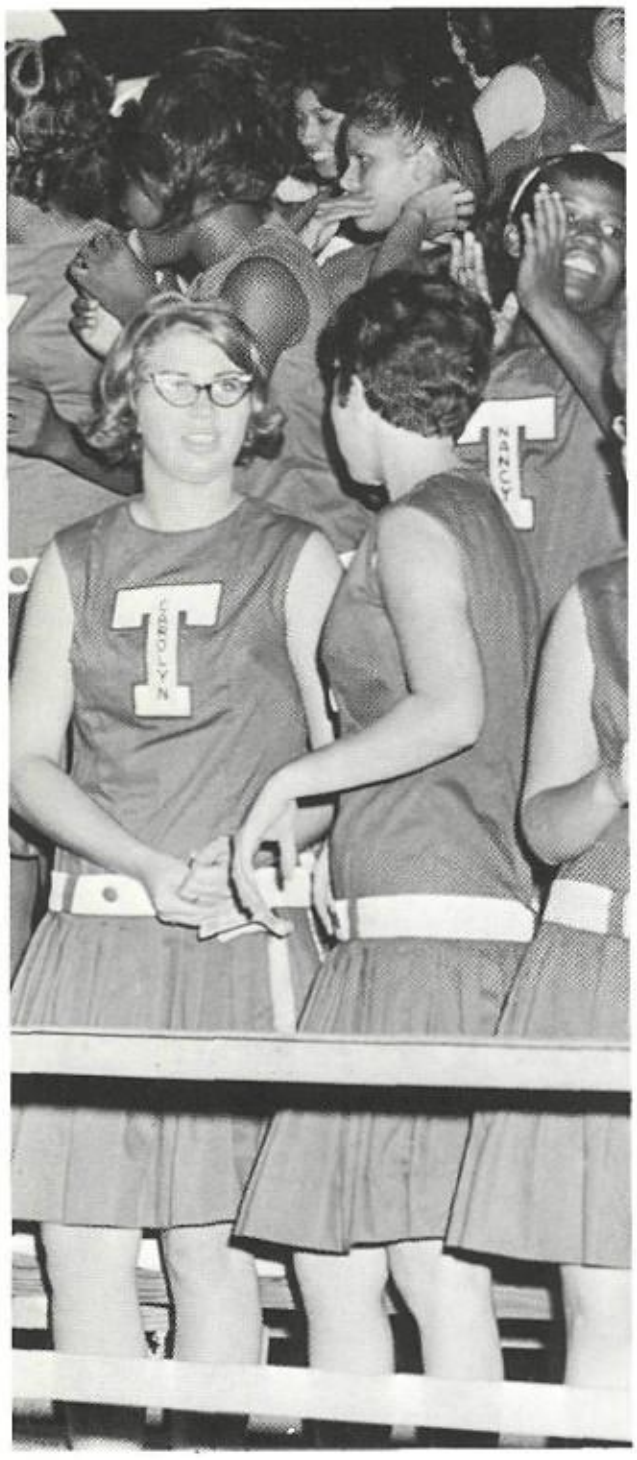
Leisure . . .

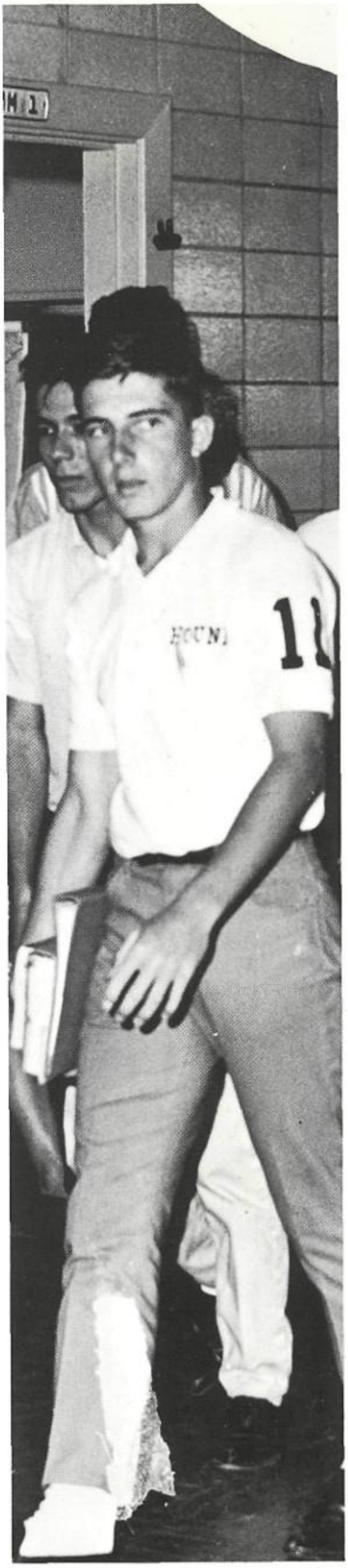
freedom provided by the cessation of activities; time free from work or duties.

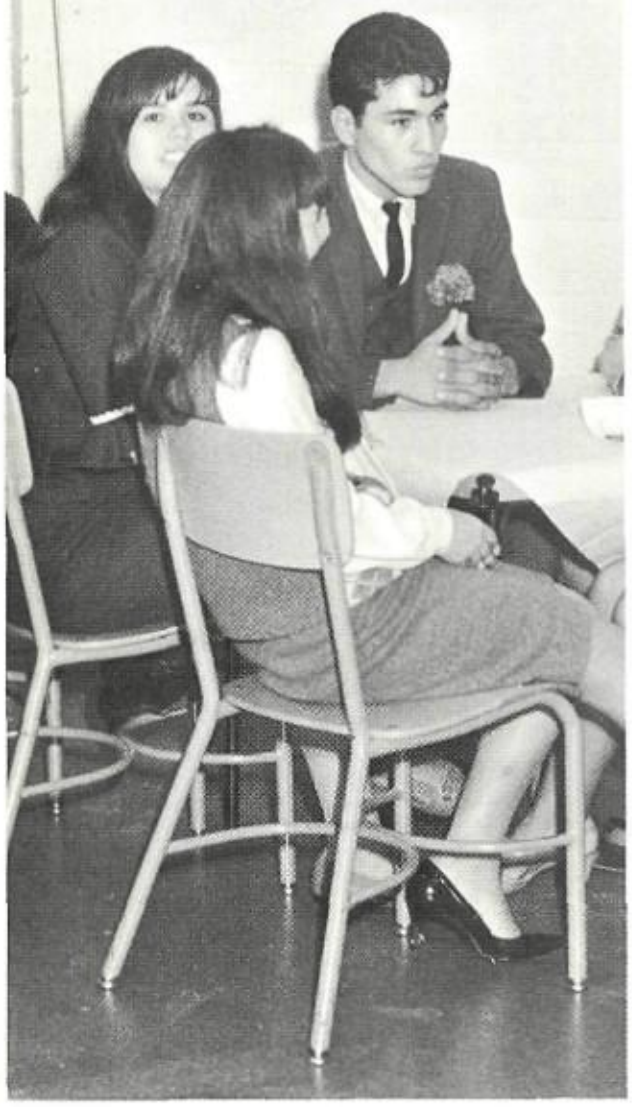
Associate . . .

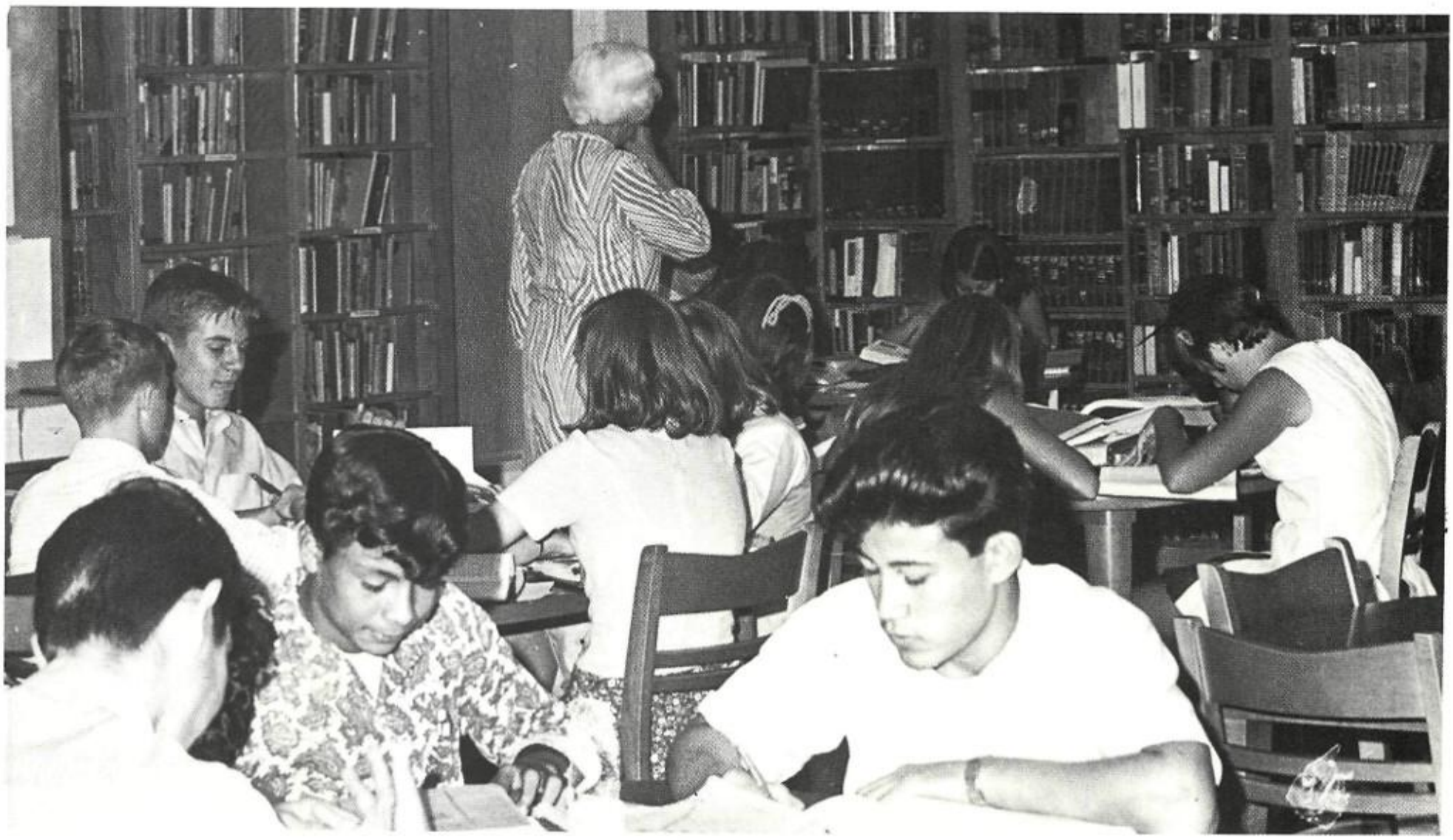
to join as a partner,
friend or companion.

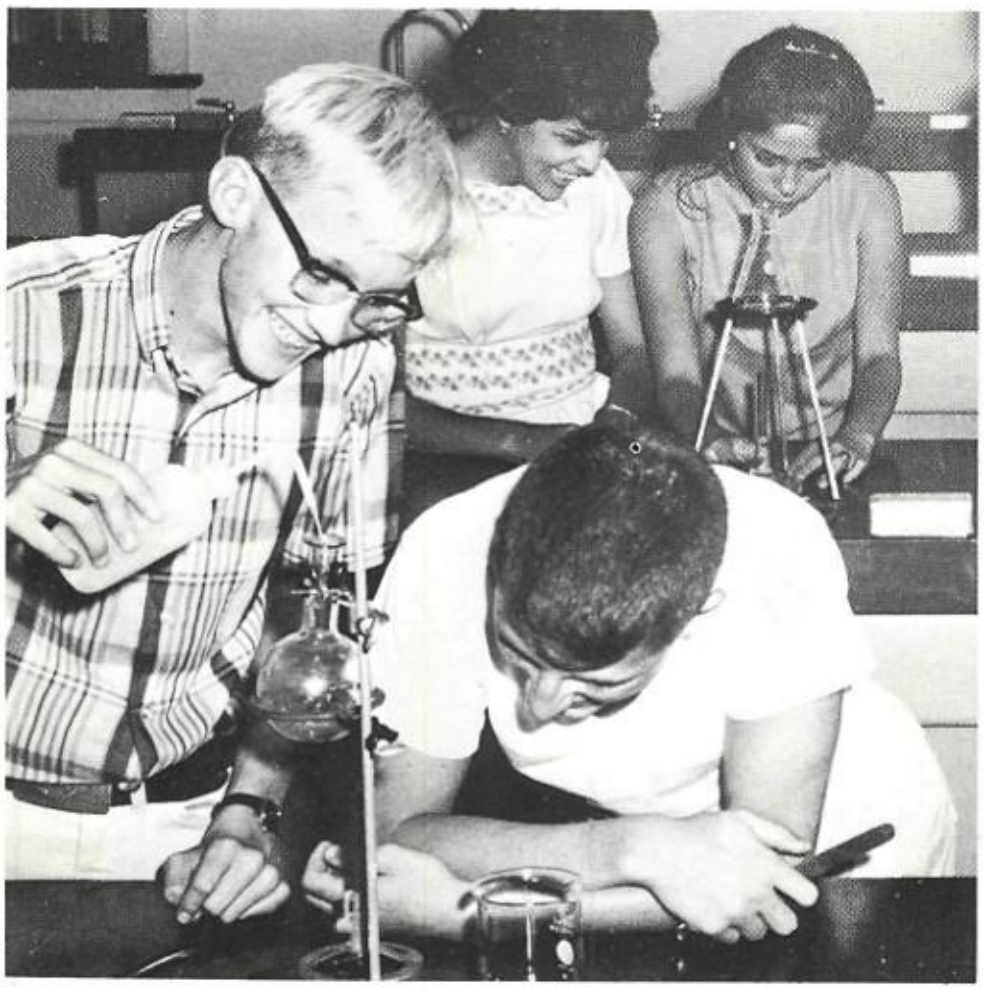






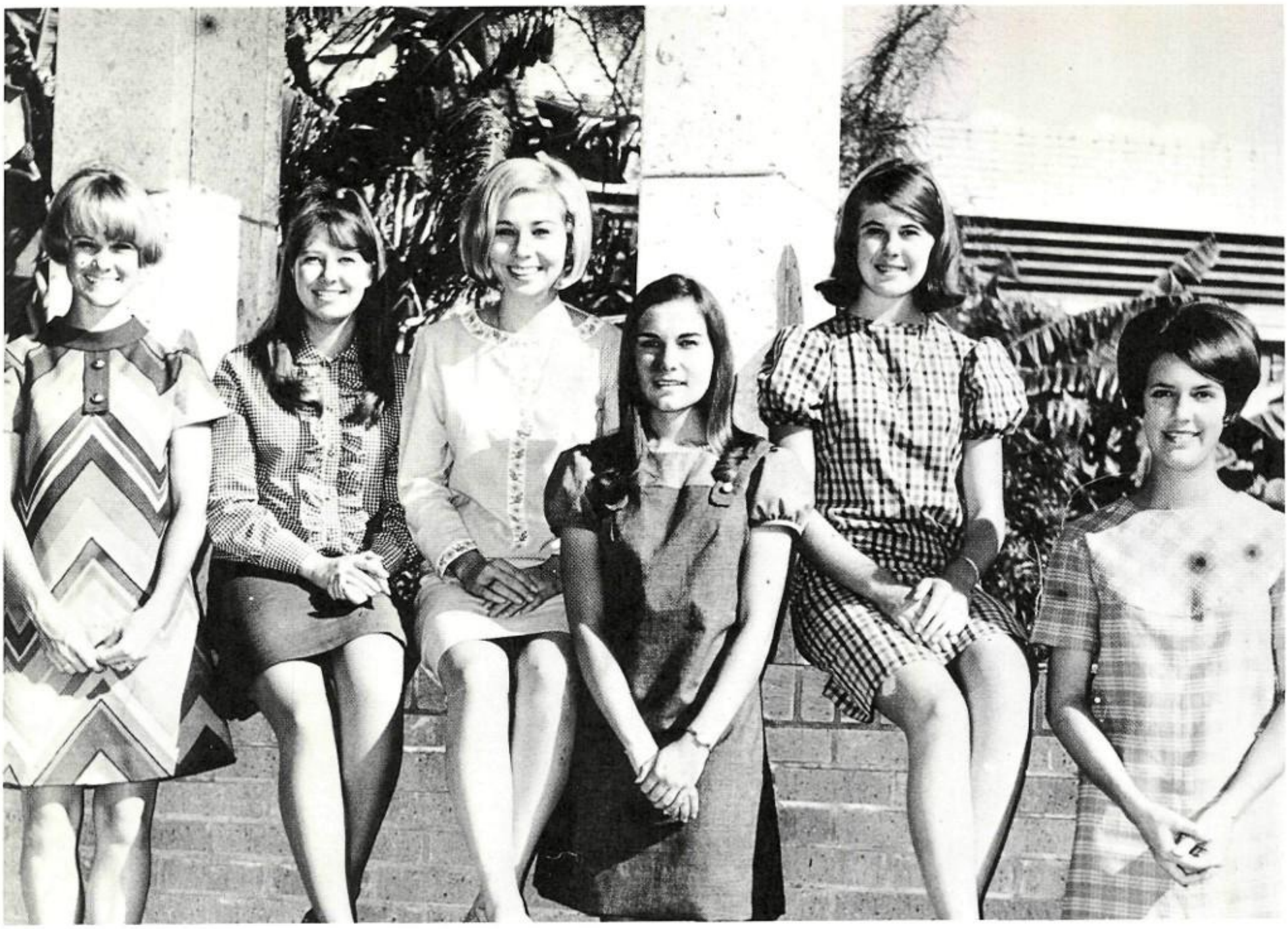






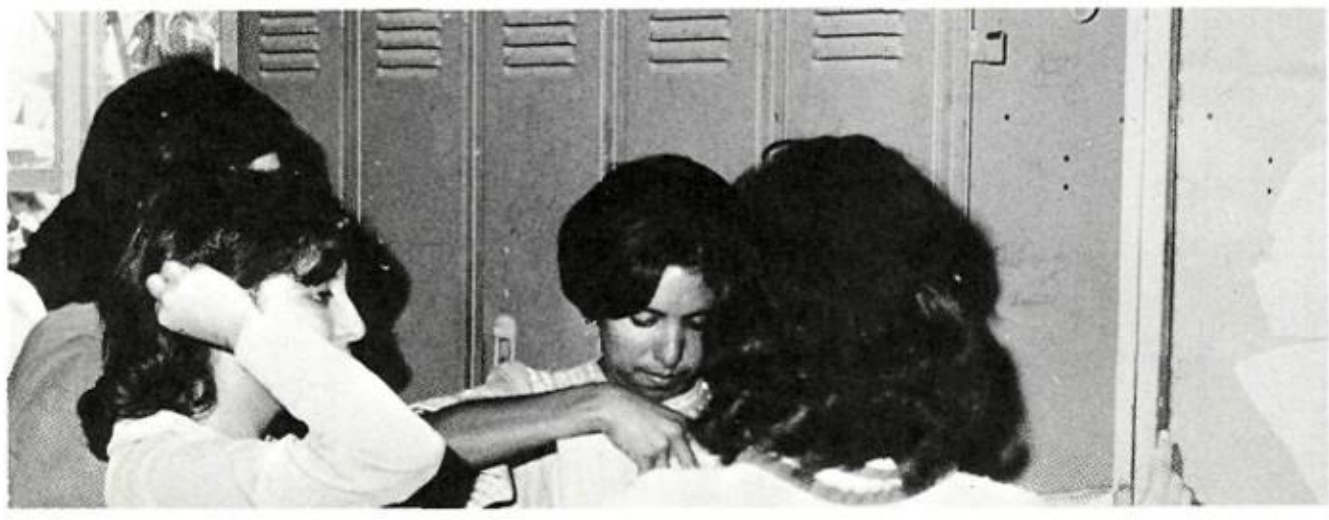
Experiment . . .

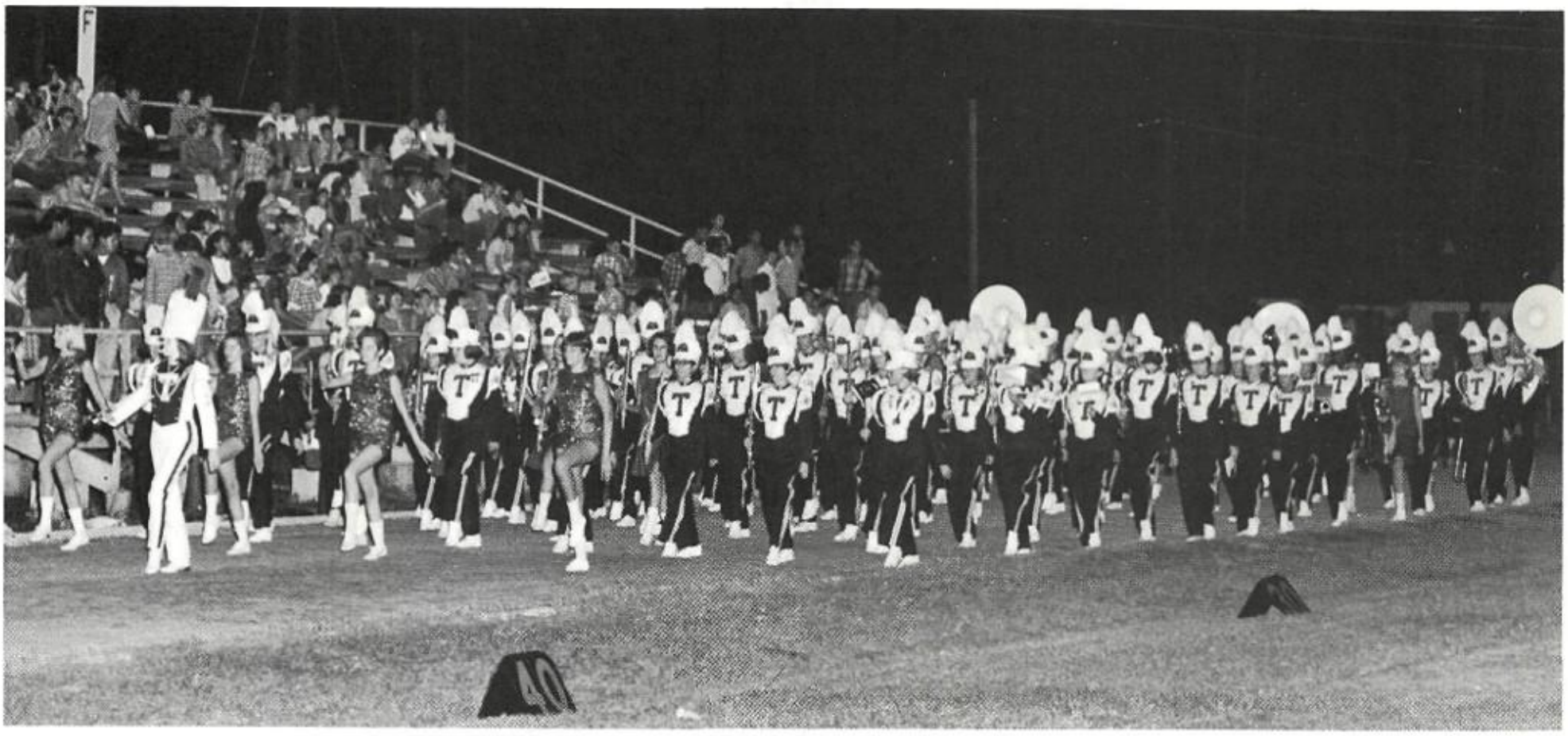
an operation carried out under controlled conditions in order to discover an unknown effect of law, to test or establish a hypothesis, or to illustrate a known law; the process of testing.

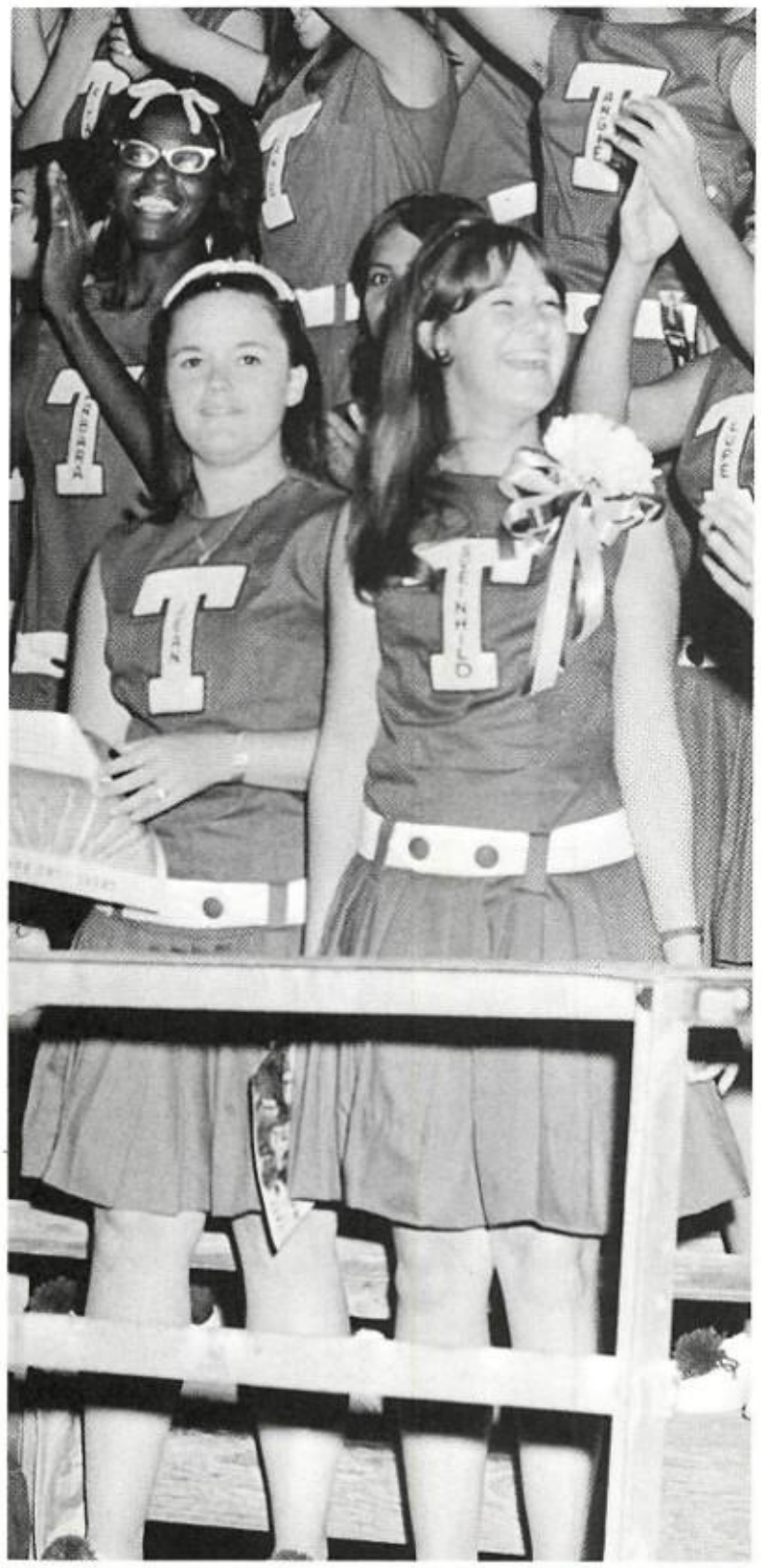


Personality . . .

the complex of characteristics that distinguishes an individual or group; the organization of the individual's distinguishing character traits, attitudes or habits.





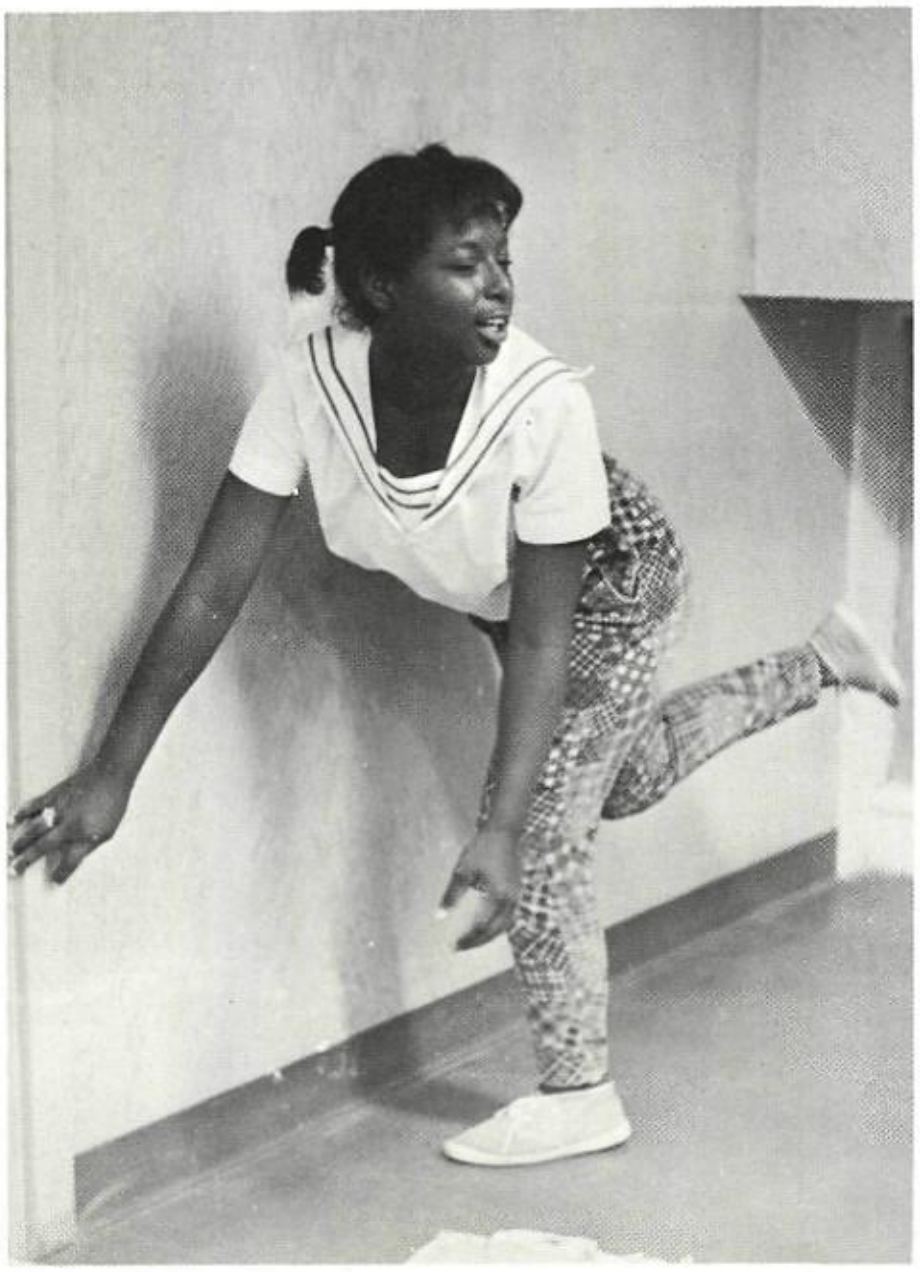


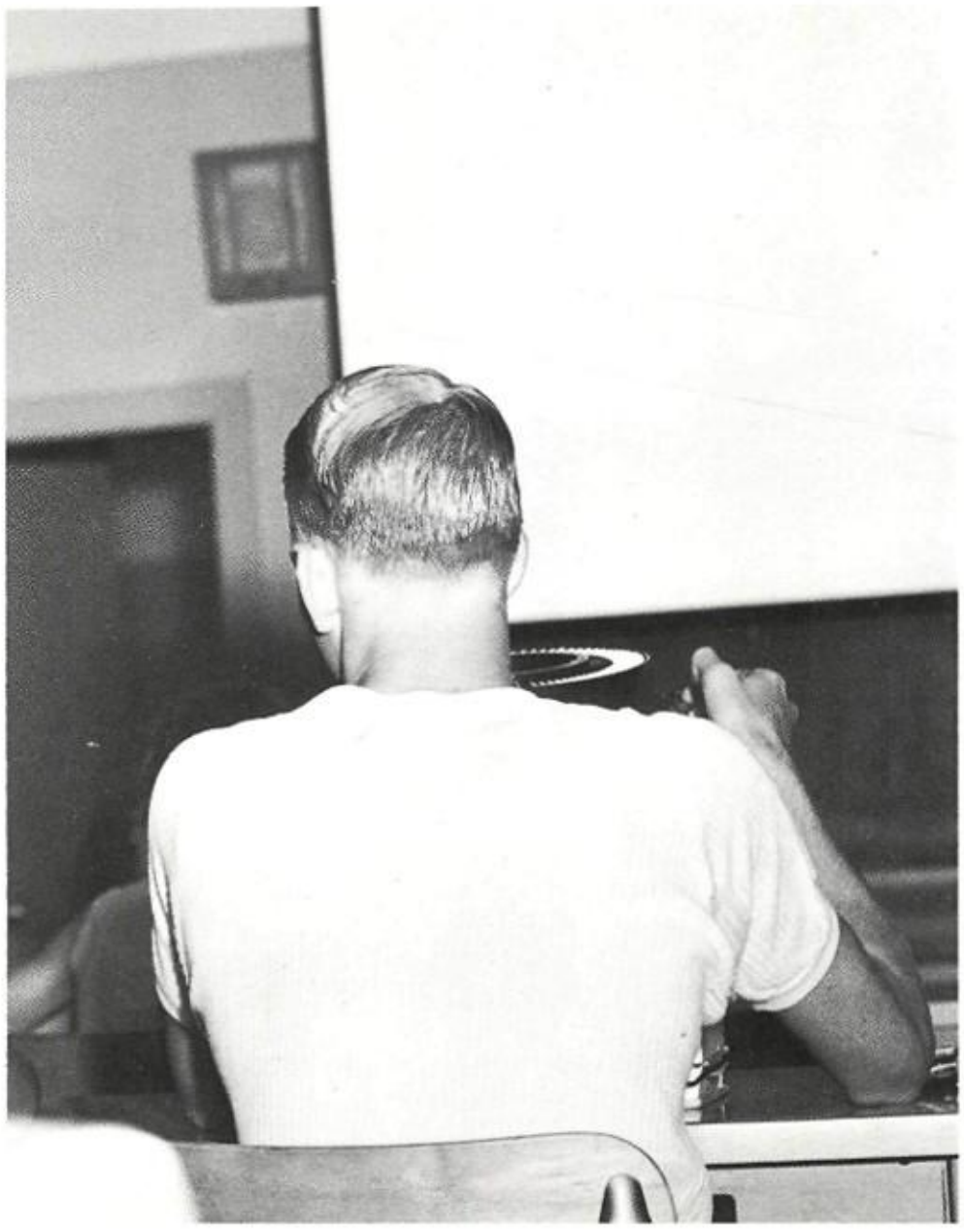
Exhiliration

to make cheerful; the feeling
or the state of being cheerful.

Amusement . . .

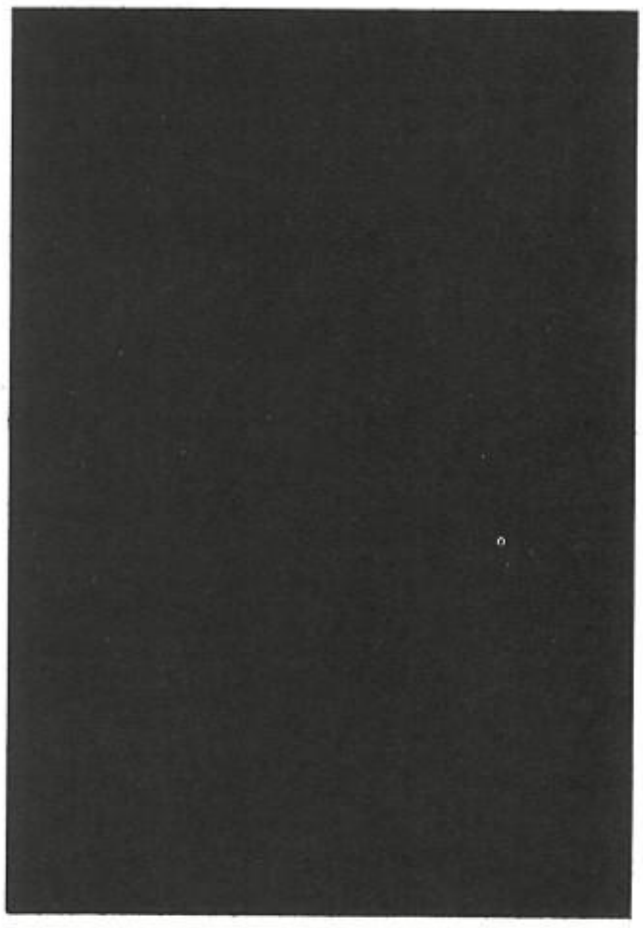
a means of amusing or entertaining;
pleasurable diversion.





Friendship . . .

one attached to another by affection or esteem; the state of being friends.



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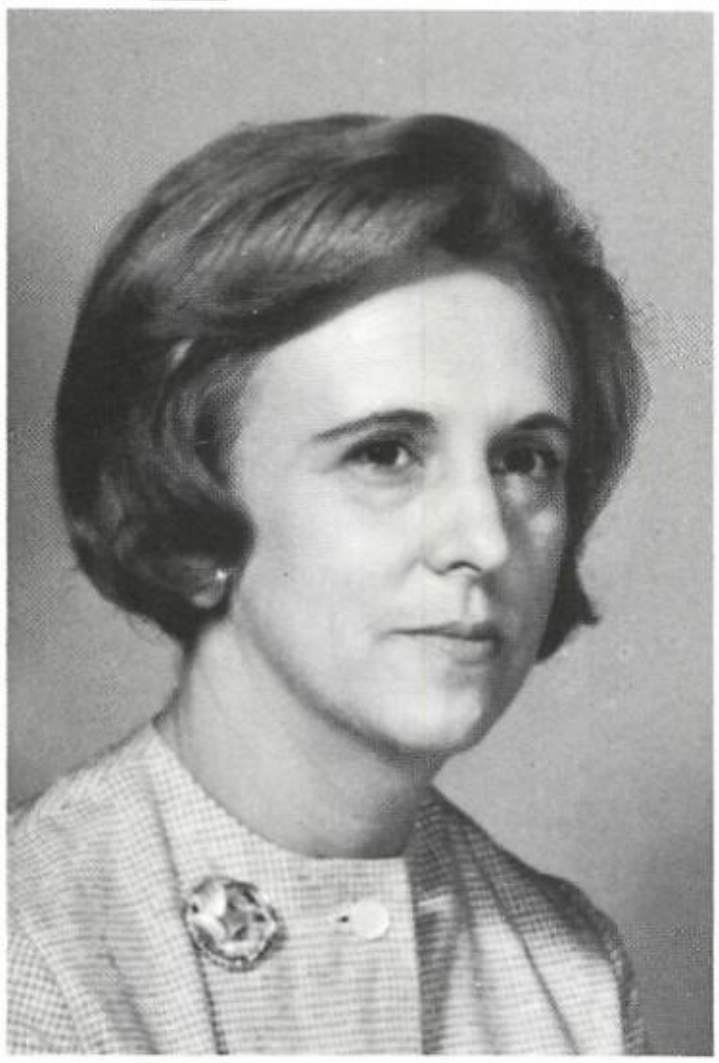

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Sveinhild Brattaker

Al, Norway

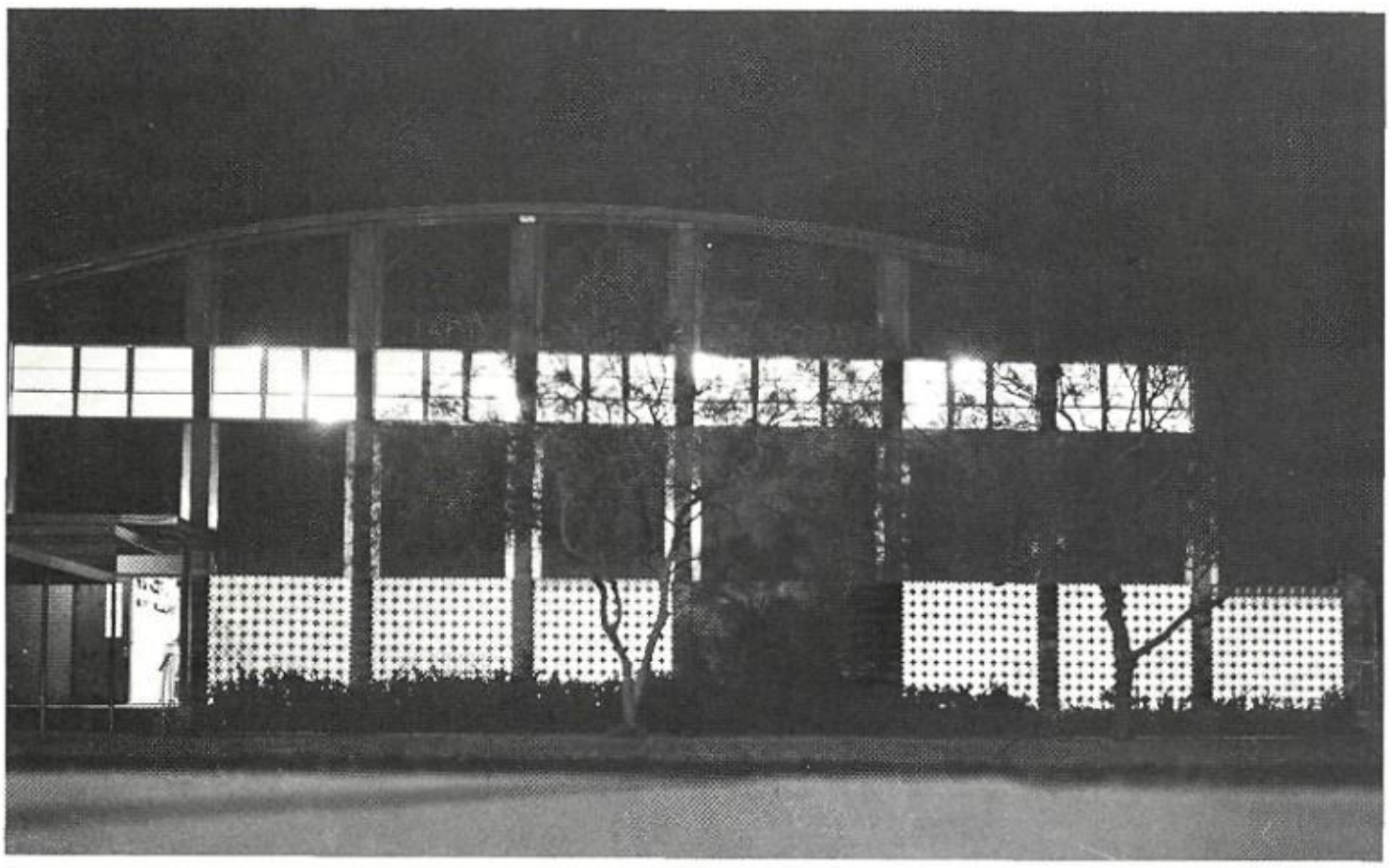
Walk together, talk together
o ye people of the earth:
Then and only then
Shall ye have peace.

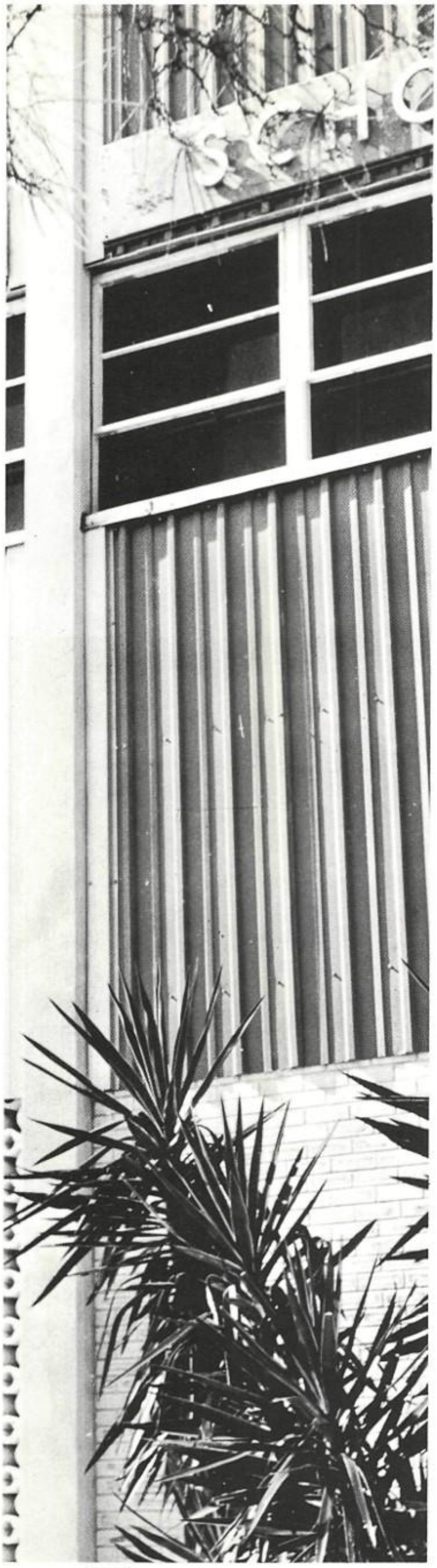
This is the motto of the American Field Service which is sponsoring our first AFS student at Taft High School.

Coming to Taft High School for a year of study is Miss Sveinhild Brattaaker of Al, Norway. Hildi, a name given to her by her American family, came to Taft in August and will return to her parents Mr. and Mrs. Lars Brattaaker sometime in late July of this year.

Through the AFS program it is hoped that Hildi will return home and tell the people of Norway about her life in the United States as this is the way to peace.

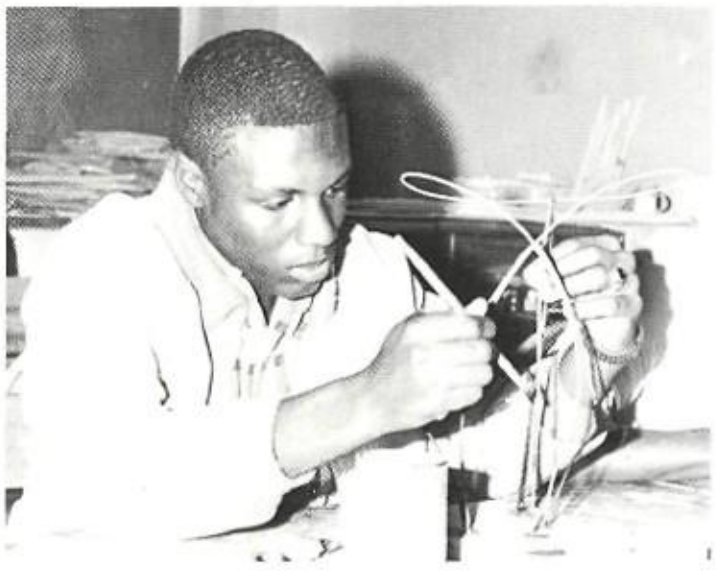
This Is . . .
Taft High School



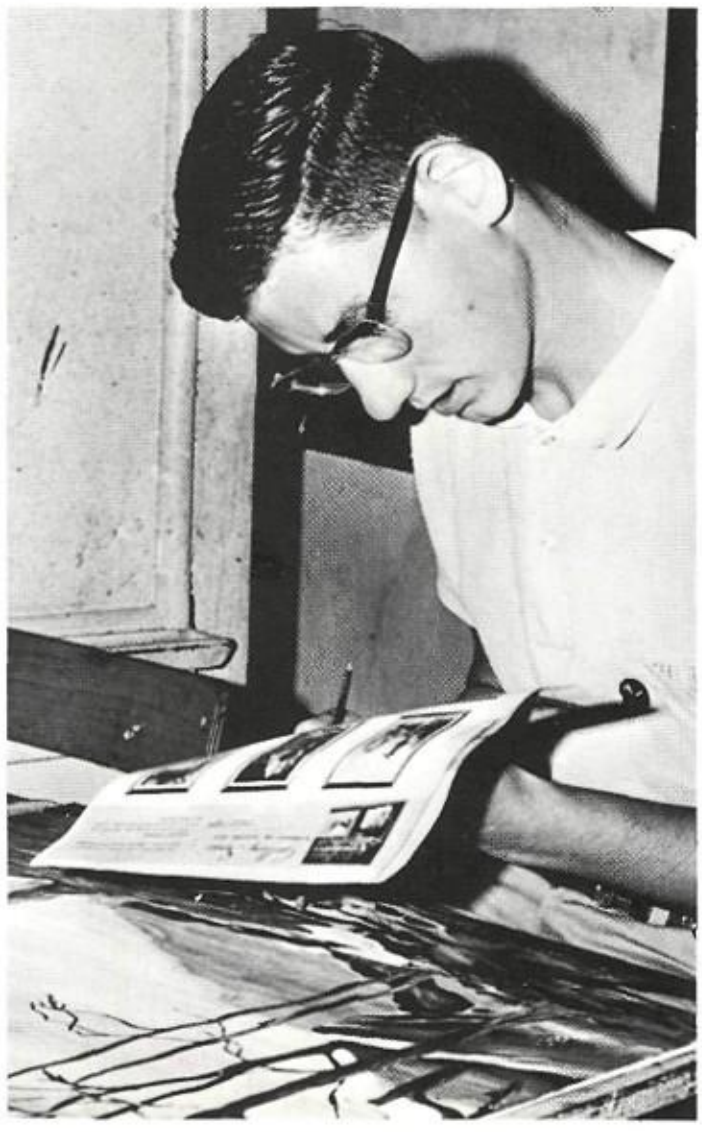


Taft is an edifice of weathered brick, time-worn wood, and rain-stained concrete. Through the past years, hundreds of students have walked its halls, sat in its many desks, and enjoyed the warmth of high school friendships, keeping the torch of tradition aflame while kindling new sparks to light the way for future classes. Each in his own way has added to the heritage of Taft while growing in knowledge, understanding, and maturity.

Academics



MRS. BETTY THOMAS



The Art Department believes that creativity should be a facet of every student. Whether building a book end, or painting an original oil, they learn that beauty must not be lost in this world of automation.

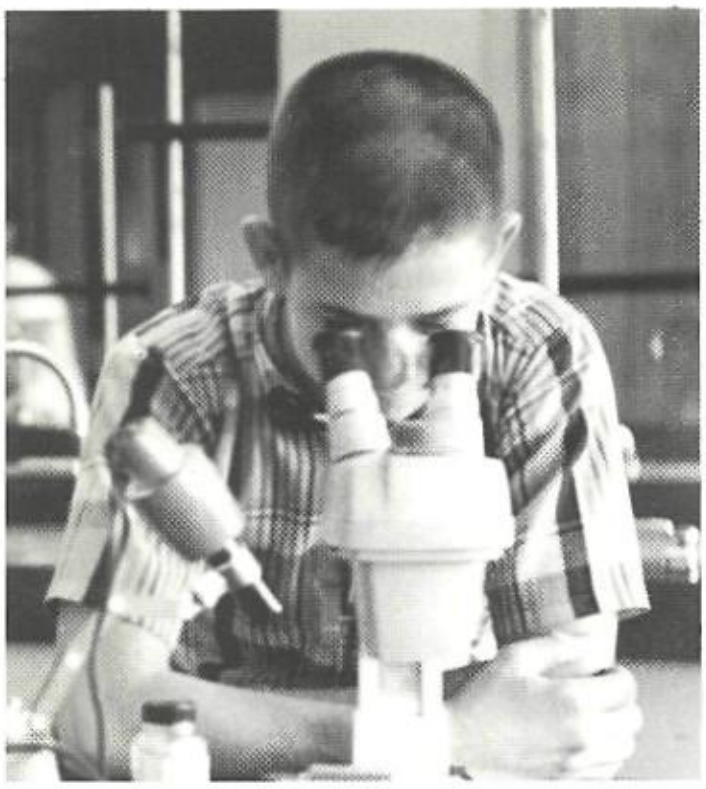
Art

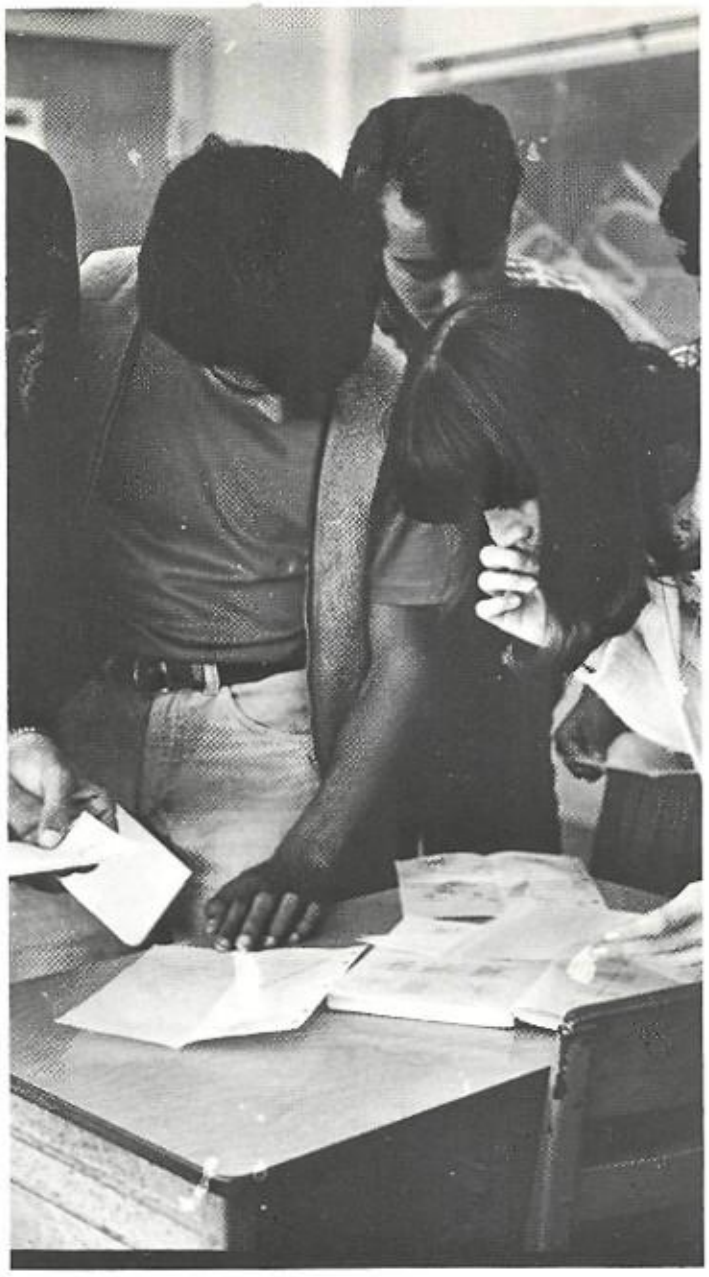
FRANKLIN McALLISTER

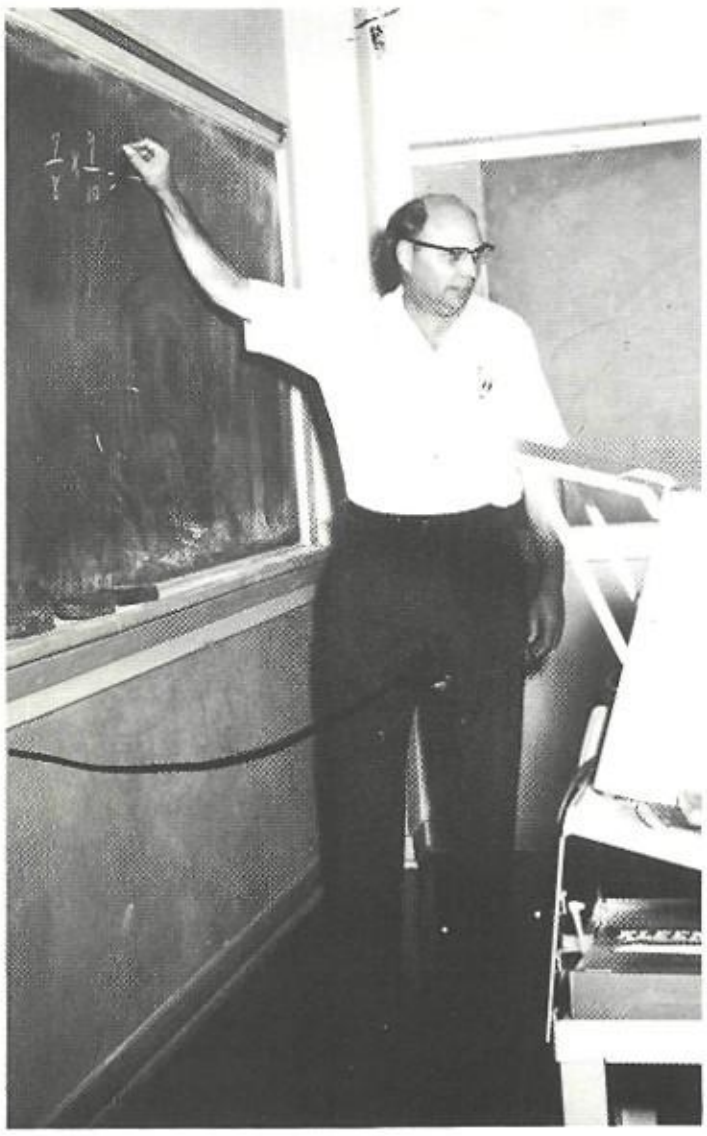
MISS FLORENCE MAYFIELD

Vocational training for the business field is offered in the Commercial Department curriculum. Commercial courses supply not only unlimited opportunity for students planning to pursue a career in business, but also offer specialized subjects, such as personal typing and notehand which aid in improving study habits.

Business







With the advance of this technical age, the need for a better math and science program increases.

Both in classroom discussion and laboratory experimentation, the enlightening guidance of our teachers paves the way toward an inconceivably wonderful future.

HANK HALVORSON
MRS. MARTHA CUMMINS
JOHN CROSS
DOUGLAS MIKUS
BOB DAVIS

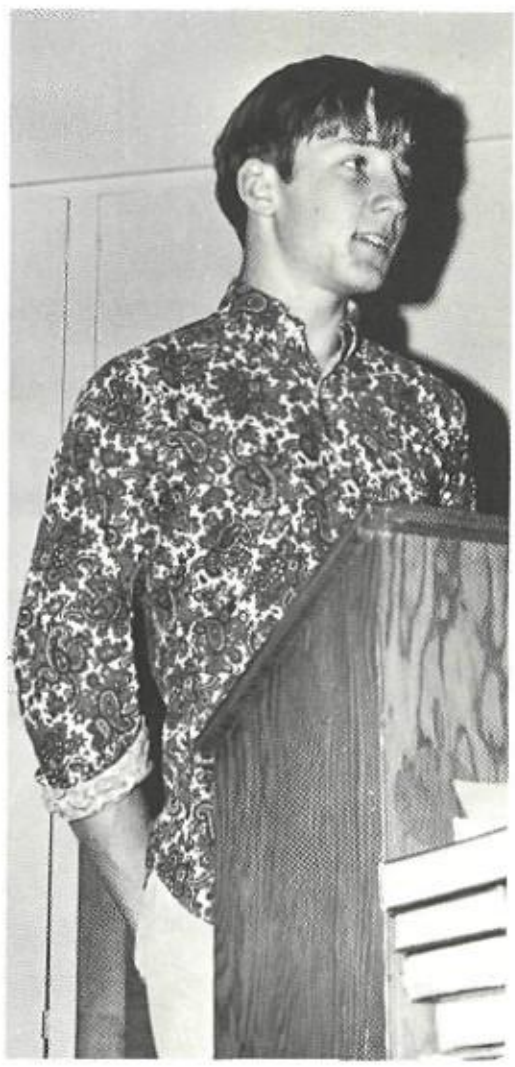
Math – Science

RAY VON ROSENBERG

MRS. EVELYN MAPLES

MRS. LINDA STAPPER

MISS ALFREDA RANKIN



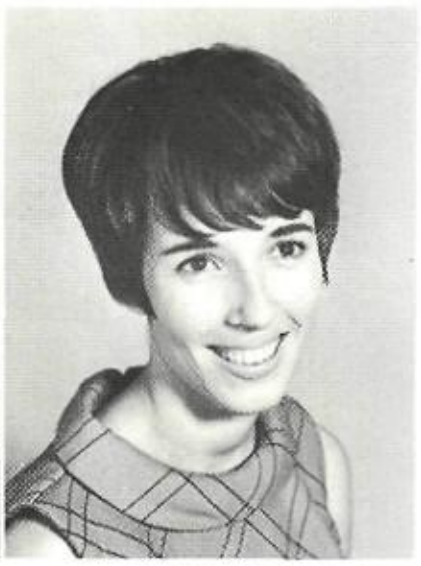
The teachers of the Language Arts Department have promoted a vital curriculum. This department has worked to provide students with a quality education. Through their efforts, we have learned to think and express our ideas to others.

Physical Education

Today some industries train three executives for a top position, expecting two to die prematurely.

Other companies have set up physical fitness programs for their employees. Schools in many cities have begun to realize that if a student starts life fit, chances are he'll stay that way.

ROY STEGALL



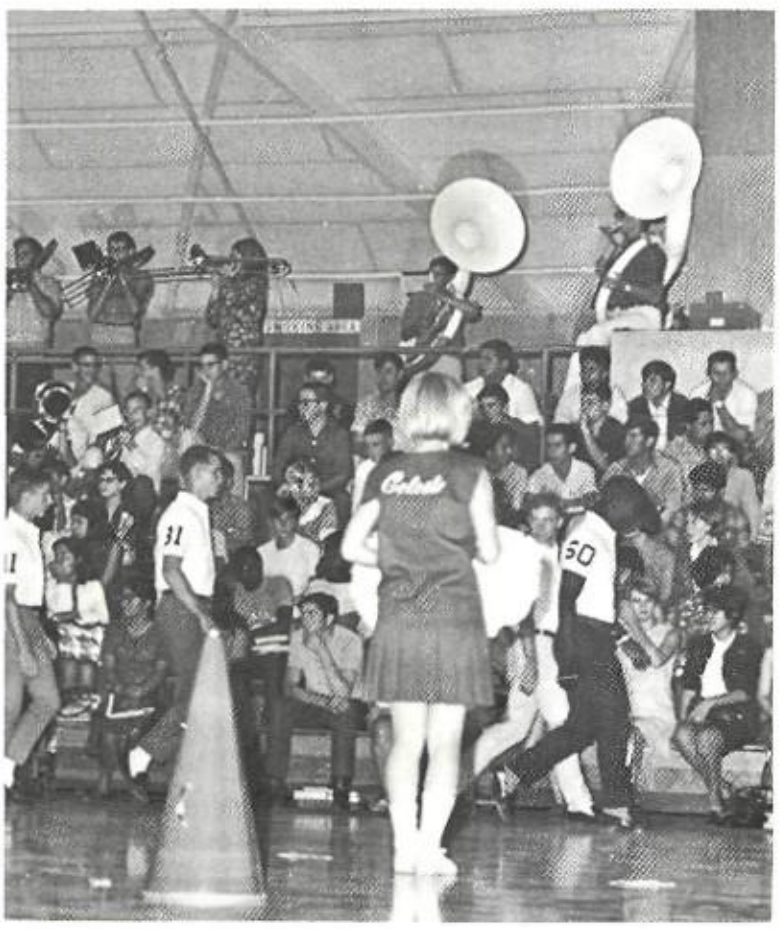
MRS. JOYCE MARKAM

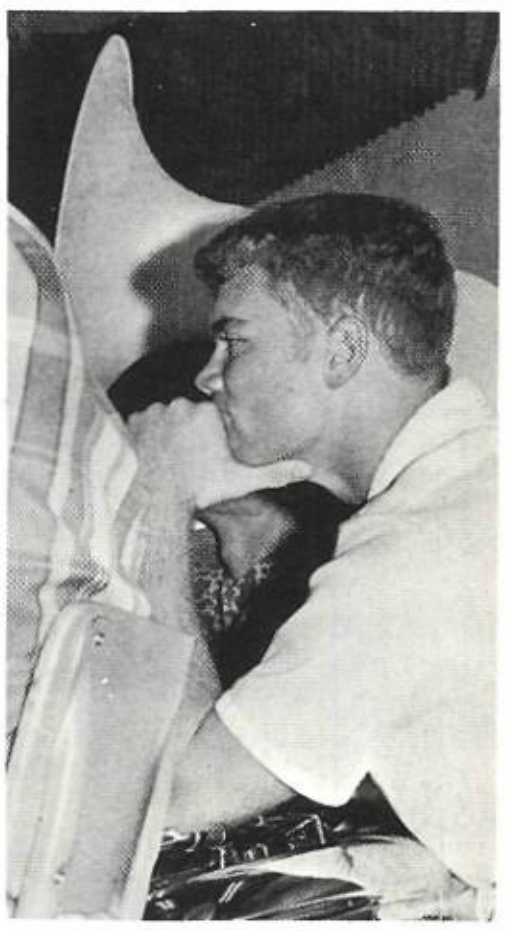
S. L. ALBRITTON

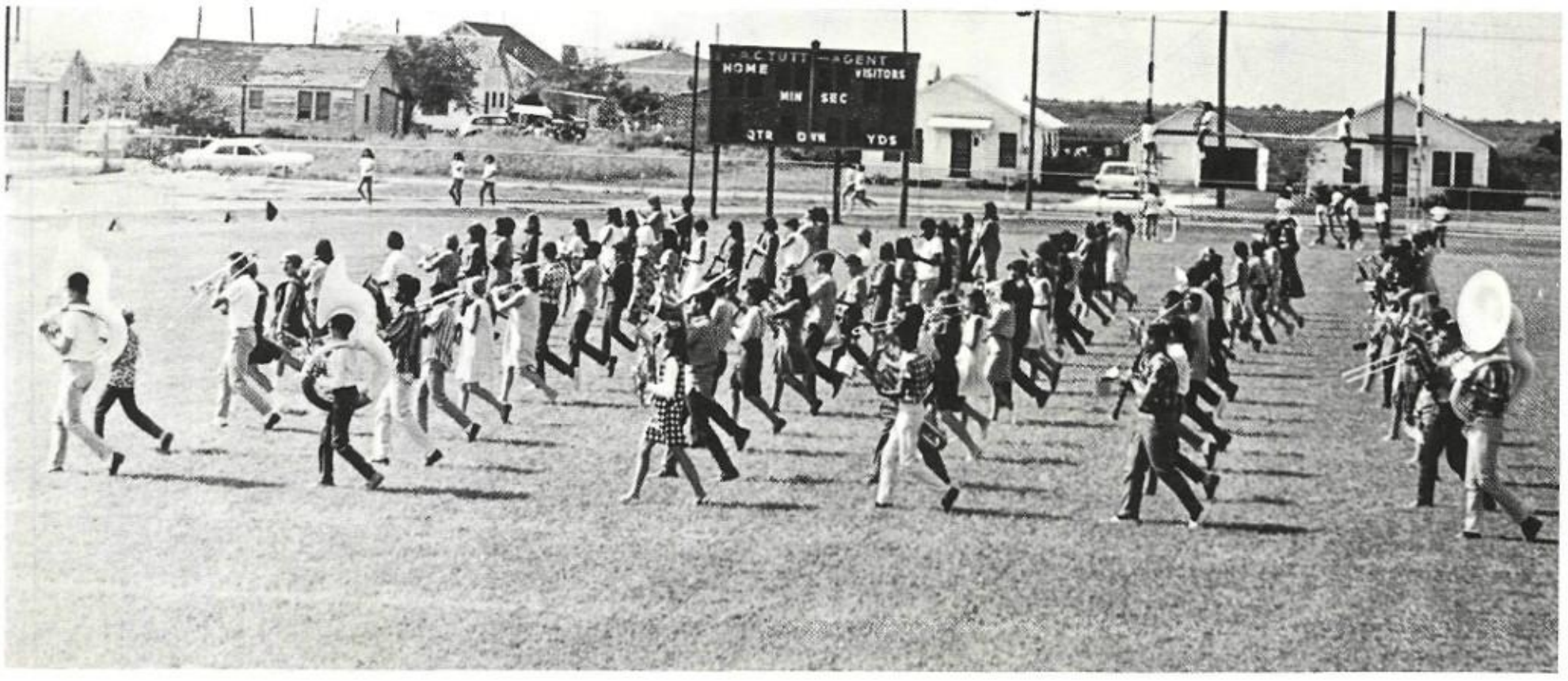
BILL STEPHENS

Music

Spirit is the essence of the school, and the THS Band is a vital spark of that spirit around campus. In the case of these uniform-clad music makers a motto is more than just words. "Music of all some of the time," is a creed by which our band serves us. In numerous pep rallies, through parades, and at our football games, these devoted students give of their time freely for the enjoyment of others.

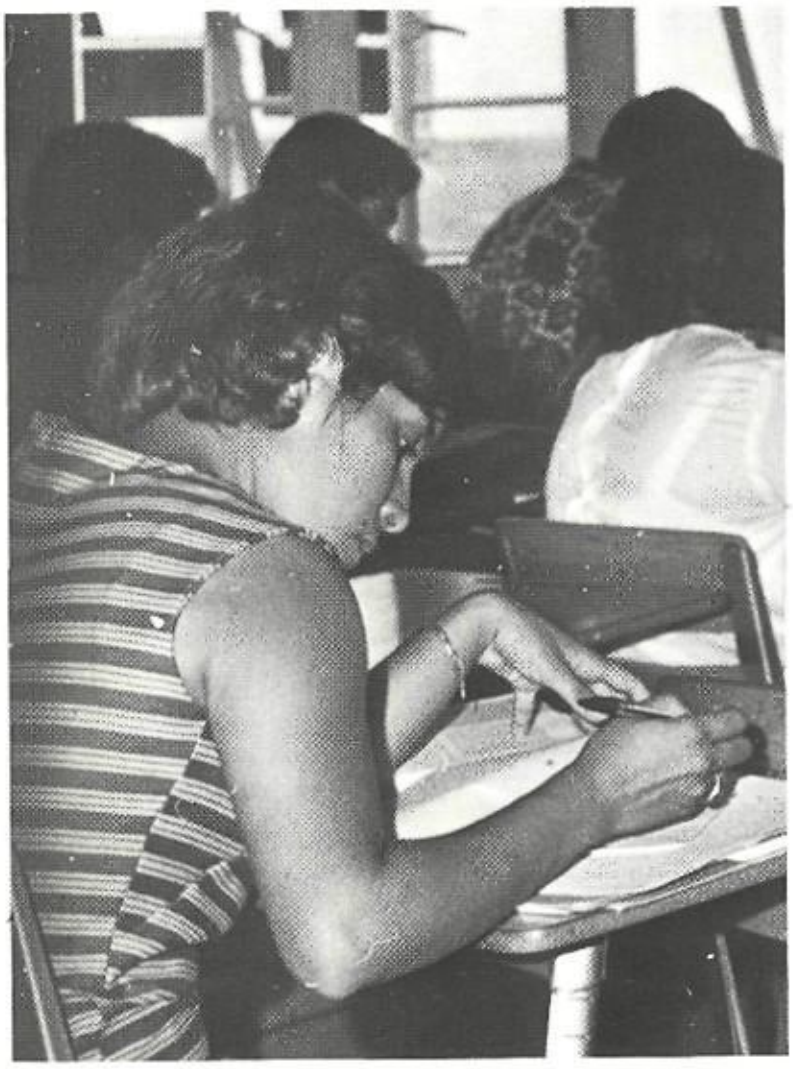






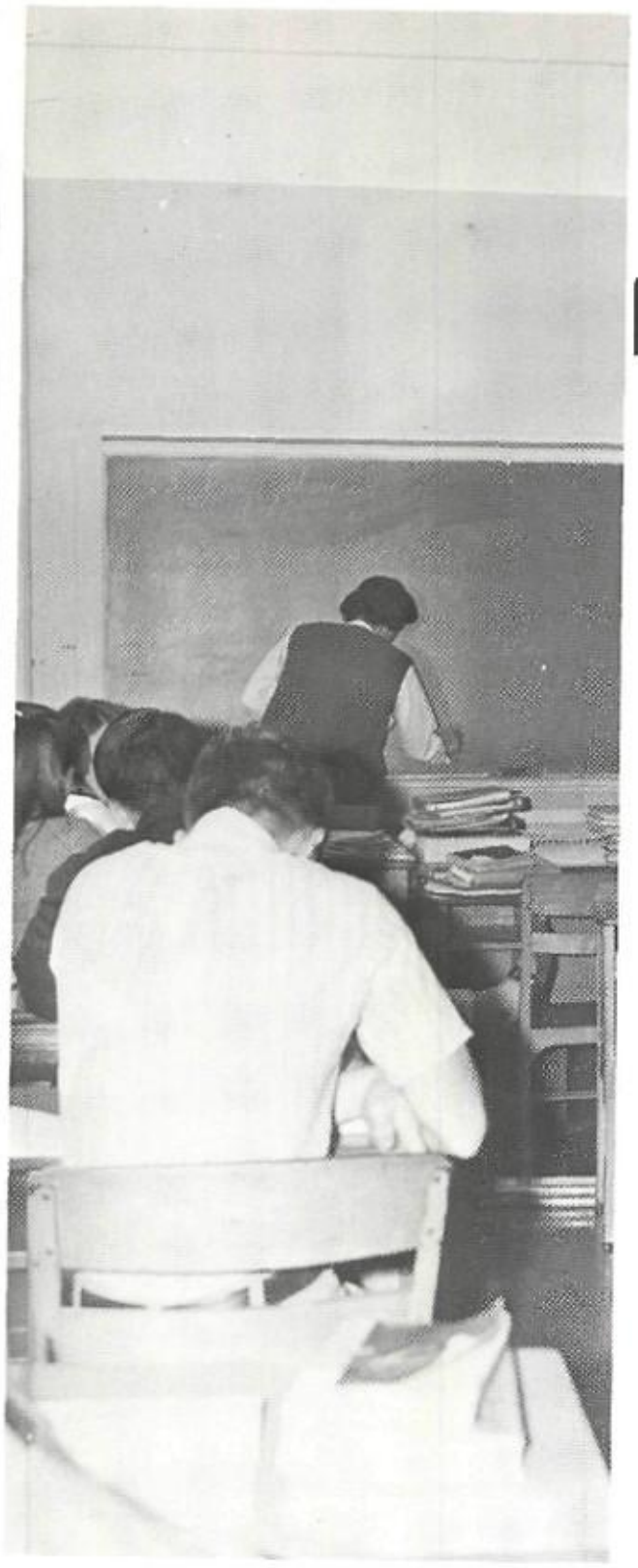
HERB SIGLE

MISS GLADYS
THREADGILL



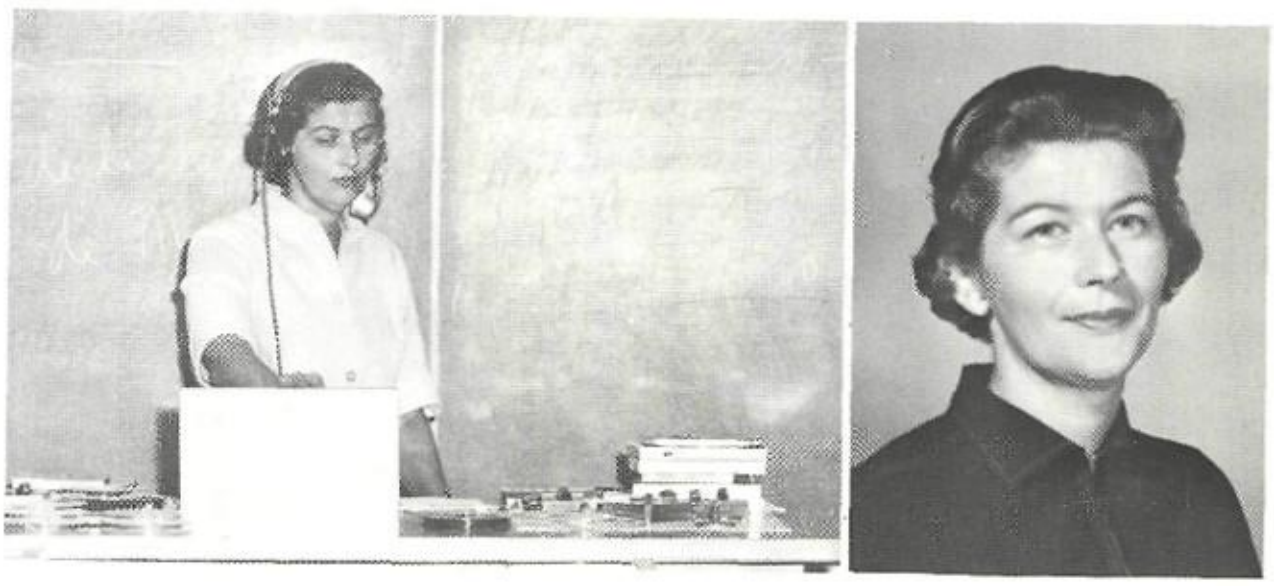
The study of Social Science, be it history or modern problems, has no equal in teaching understanding and appreciation. By seeing the mistakes of the past, future ones may be avoided. Studying our true American heritage is a rich and rewarding experience.

Social Studies



Spanish

Presidents tour foreign countries; missionaries explore remote islands. Throughout the world, people are constantly coming into contact with each other. What one factor is the key to their increasing harmony? The knowledge and understanding of Foreign Languages.



MRS. BARBARA JONES

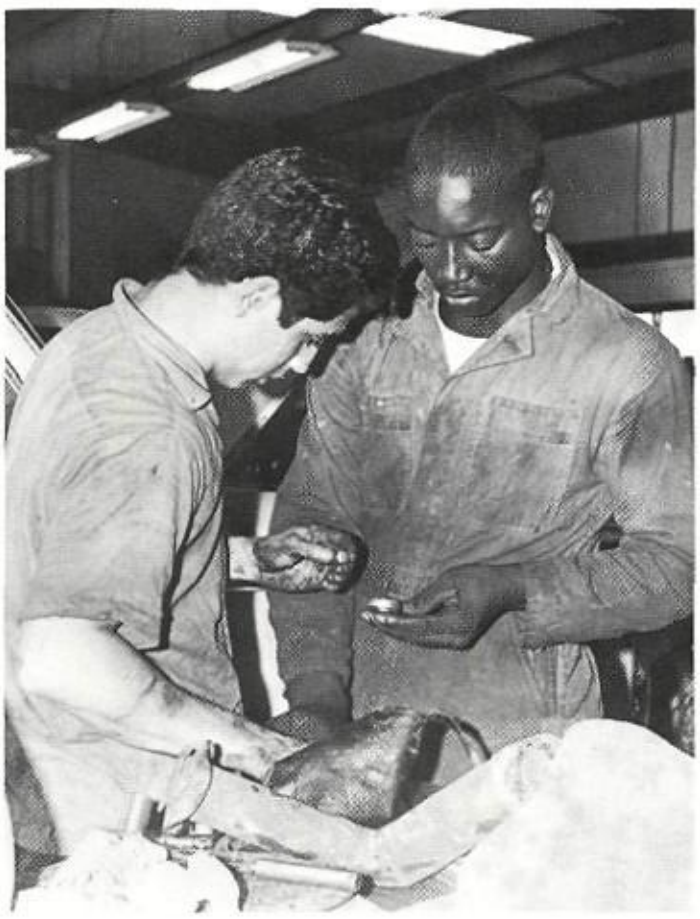
Vocational

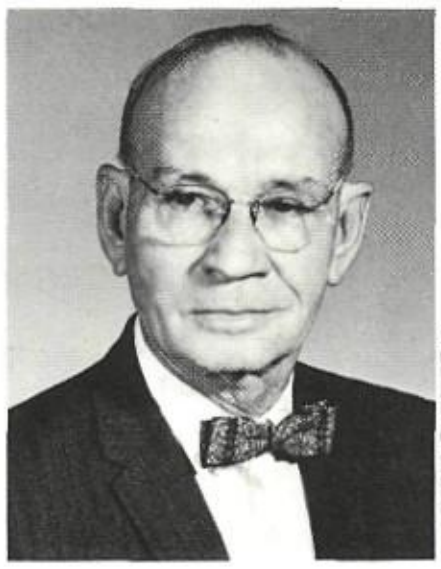
In the vocational departments of Taft High School, students are trained to use their hands as well as the mind. To create an interest in industry, the home, and the farm, and to prepare students to live a more productive life is the goal of the vocational departments. No matter how large or small the job, their task is important for themselves, as well as others. The vocational departments of Taft High School include: Home Economics, Vocational Agriculture, Auto Mechanics and Electrical Trades.

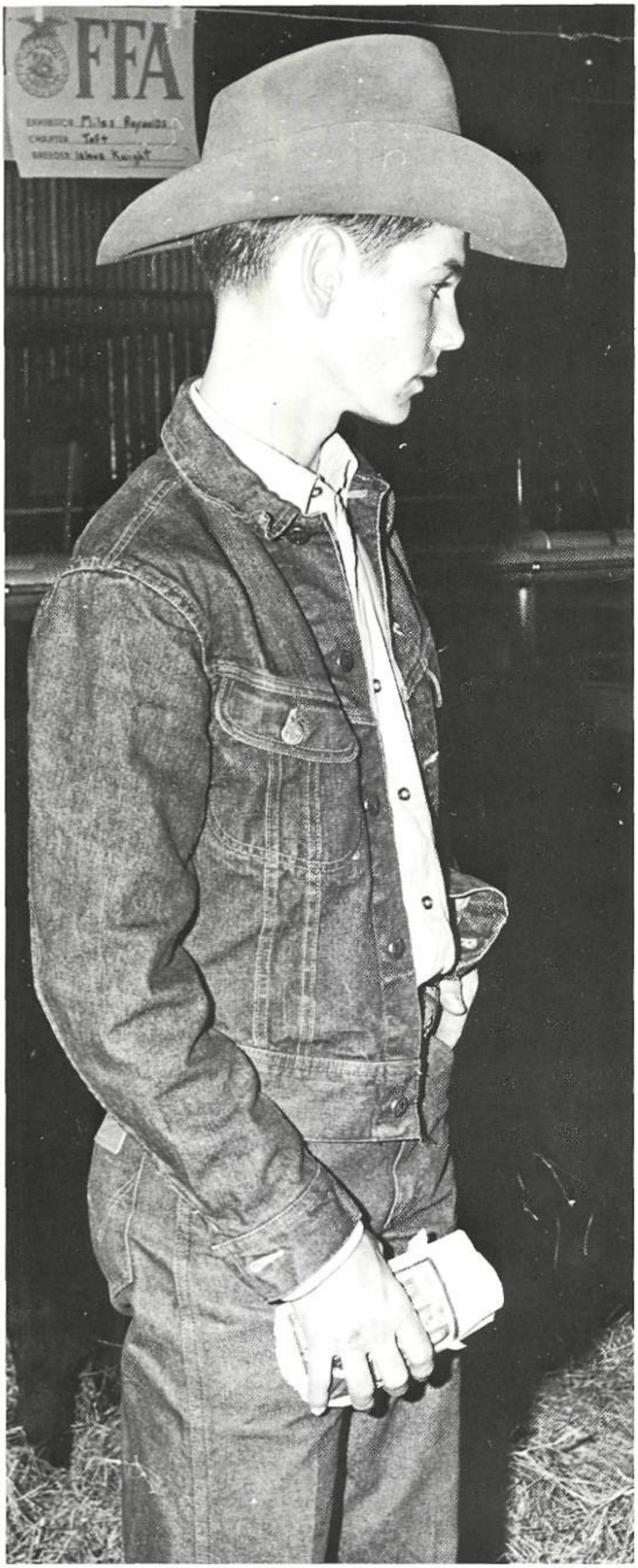
LEON TOMLIN
Agriculture

ARTHUR McMILLIN
Auto Mechanics

ARTHUR FIELDER
Electrical Trades



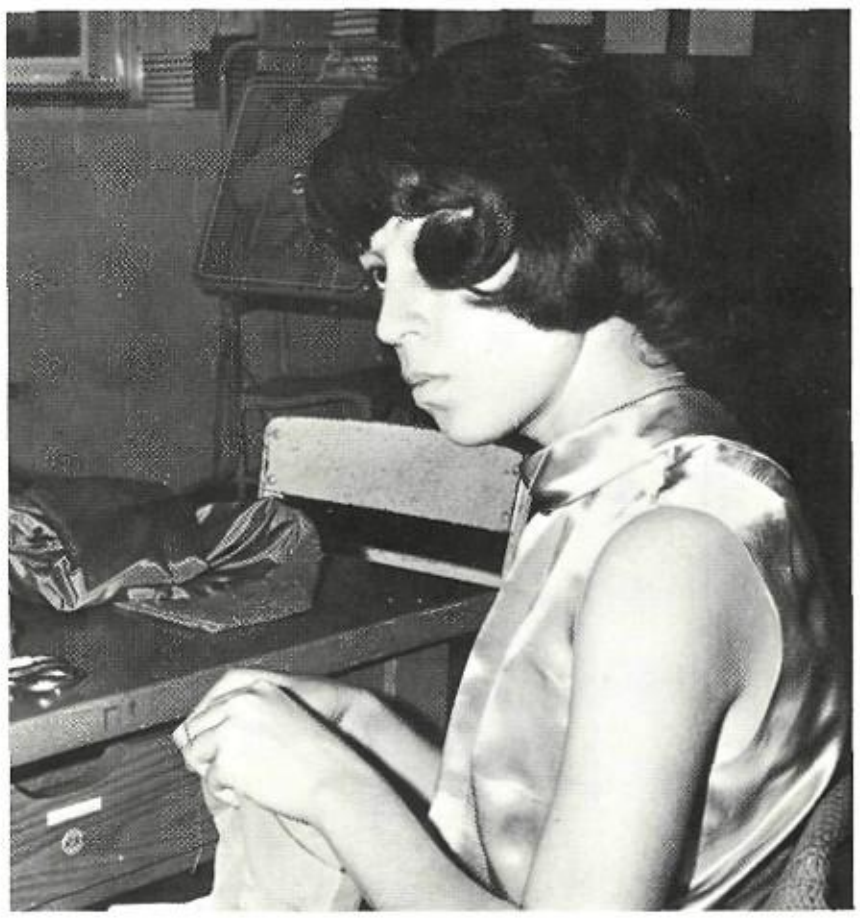




Home Economics Faculty

MRS. JACKIE SANDERS

MRS. KATHY LOWMAN



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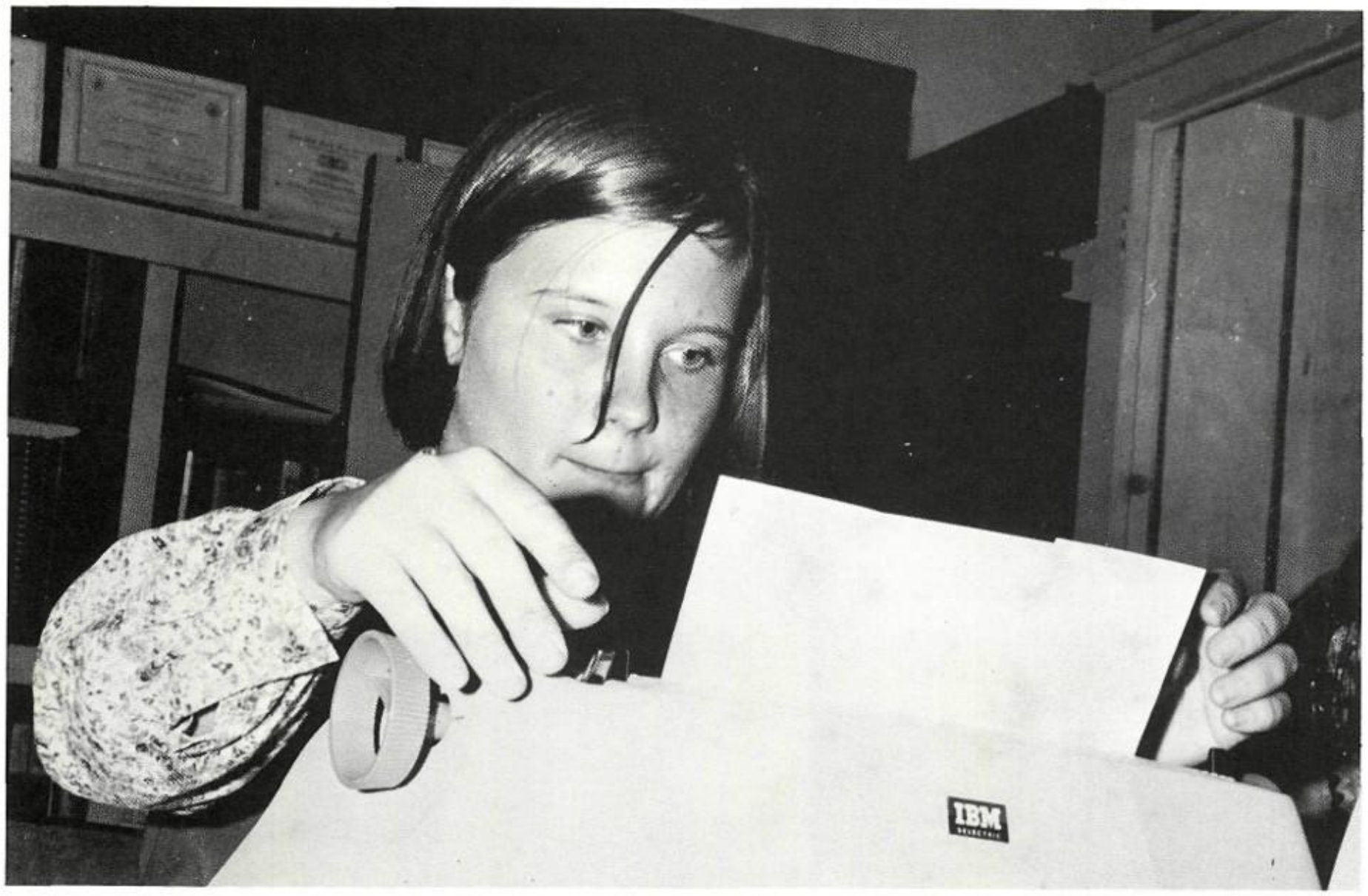
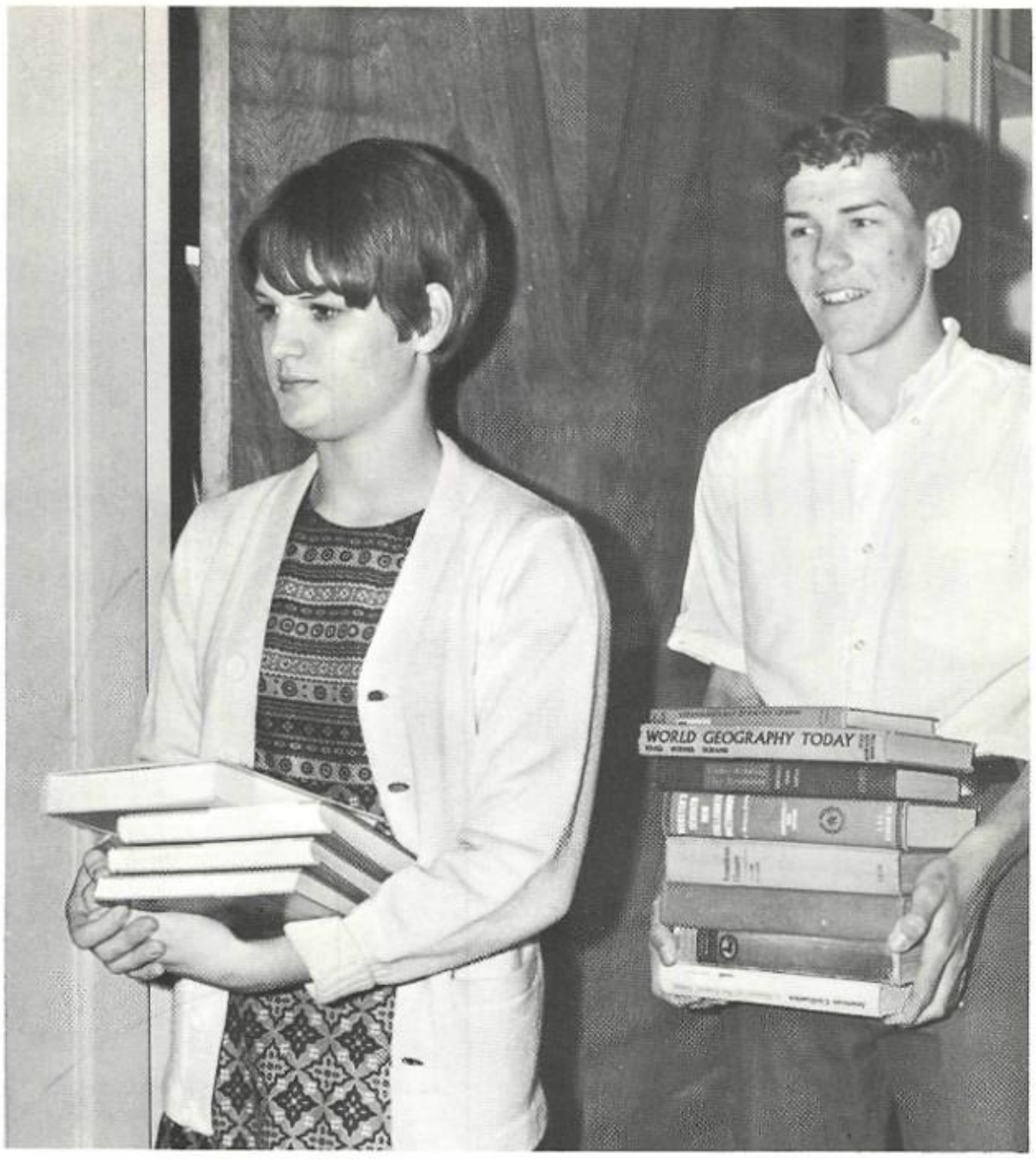


Dru Rosson tries to complete a paper for one of her classes.

Back to School Again

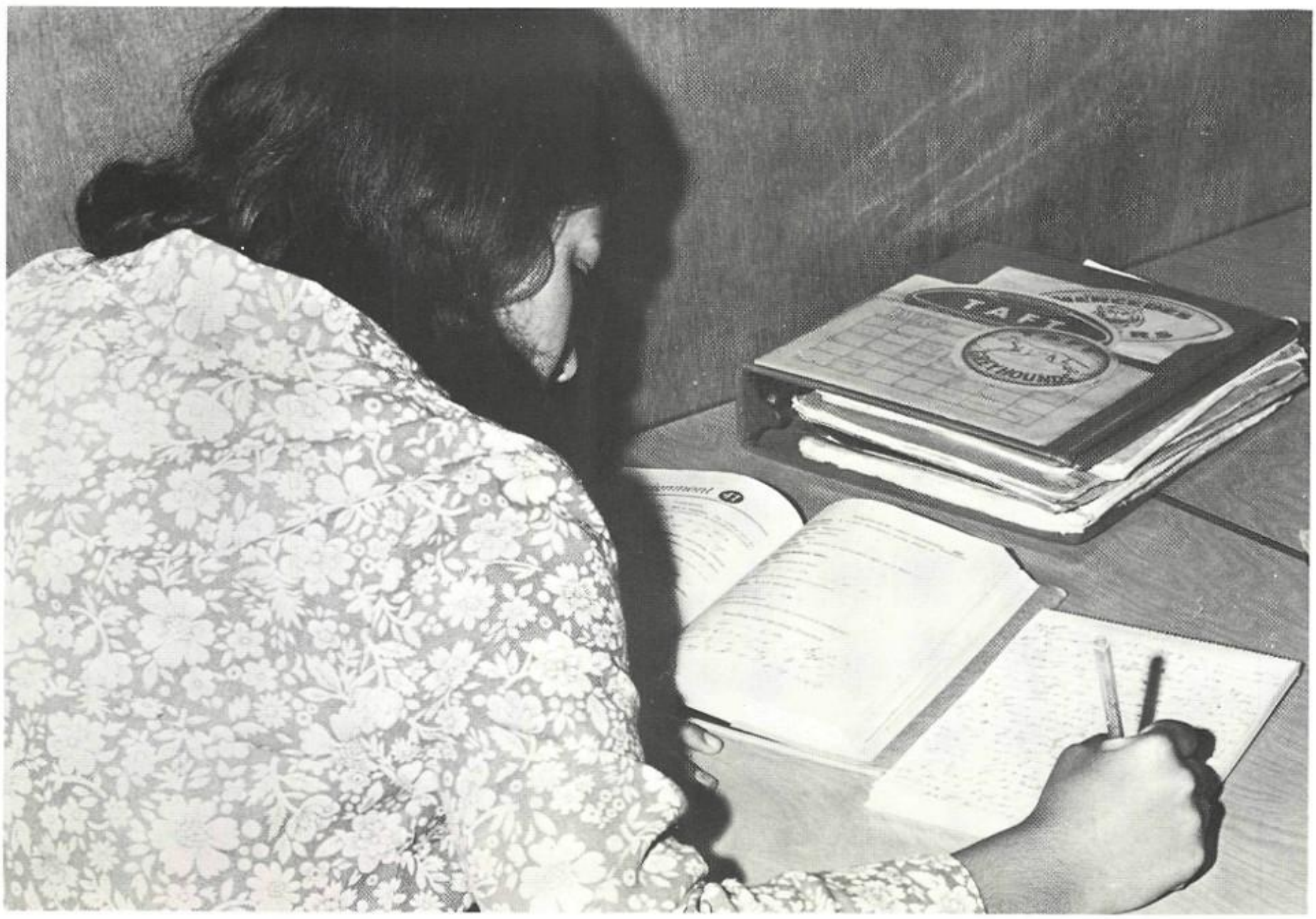
As school began this year, students and teachers seemed prepared for the year to come. A year of hard work and courage lies ahead of everyone. As class begun, students worked hard and teachers entered the routine of grading papers and checking roll.

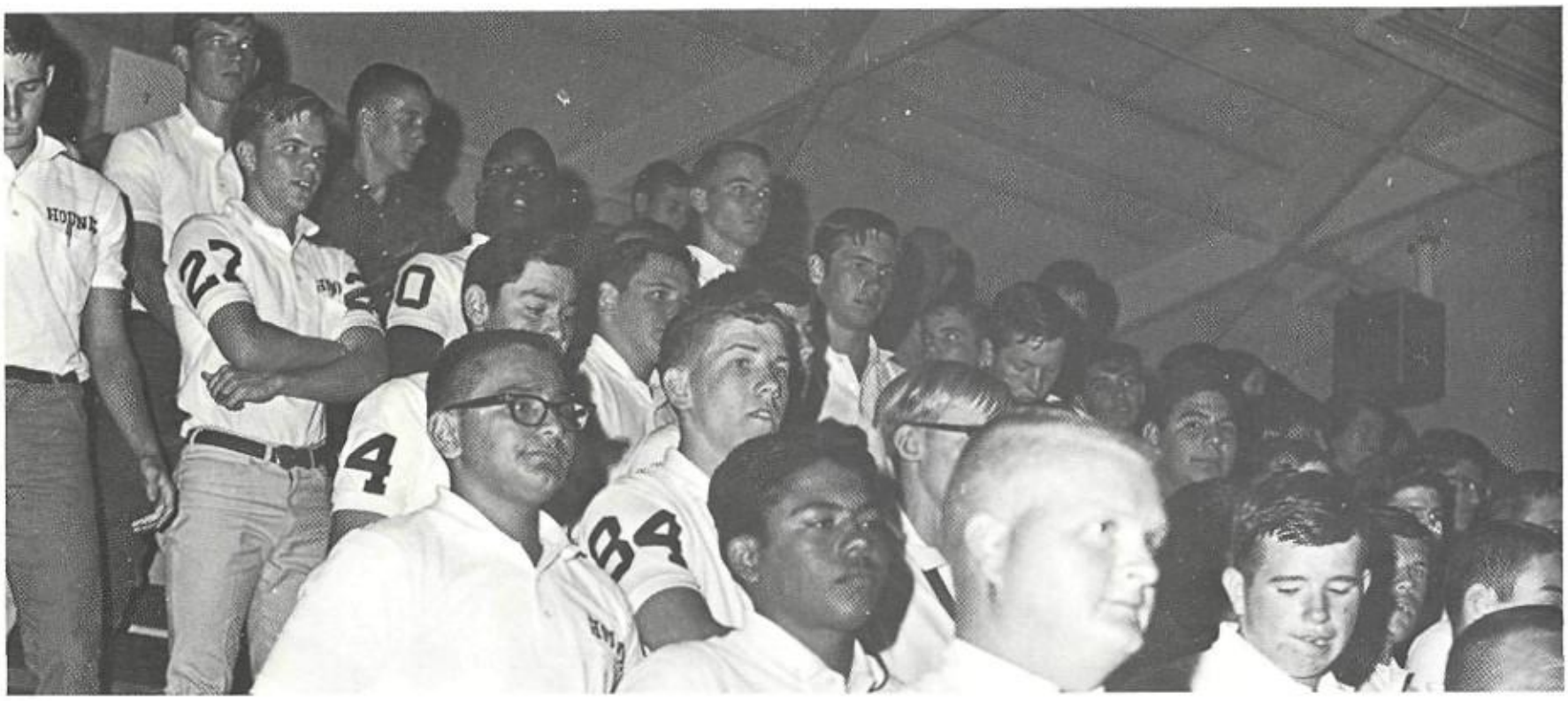
Mrs. Markam, Mrs. Lowman and Mr. Jacob get acquainted at a tea for the teachers.



Annette Brezina and Ronnie Homann gather their books to start the year. One might wonder if they will use them all.

Lupe Fuentes works hard on her shorthand lesson, to hand it in on time.

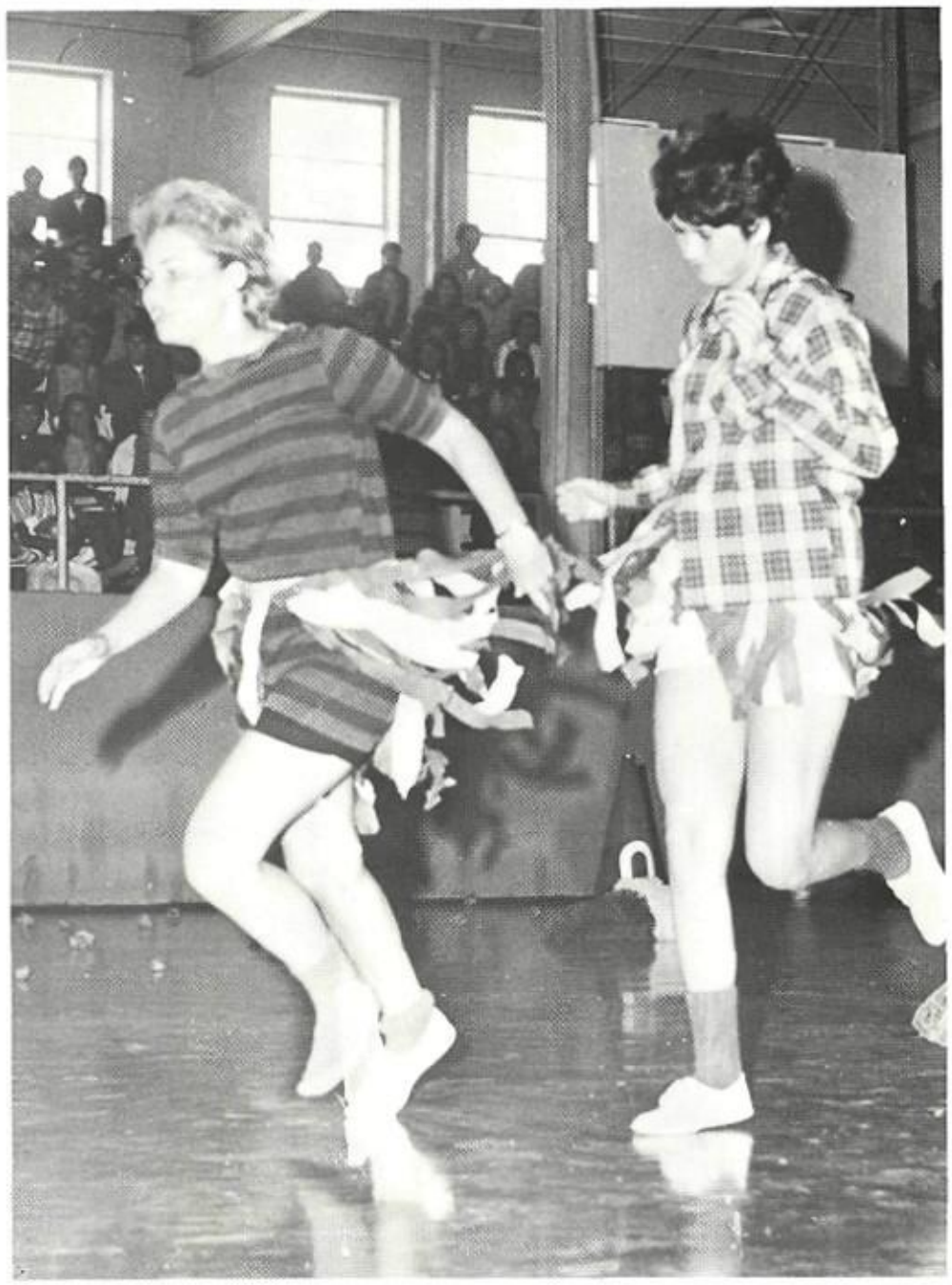


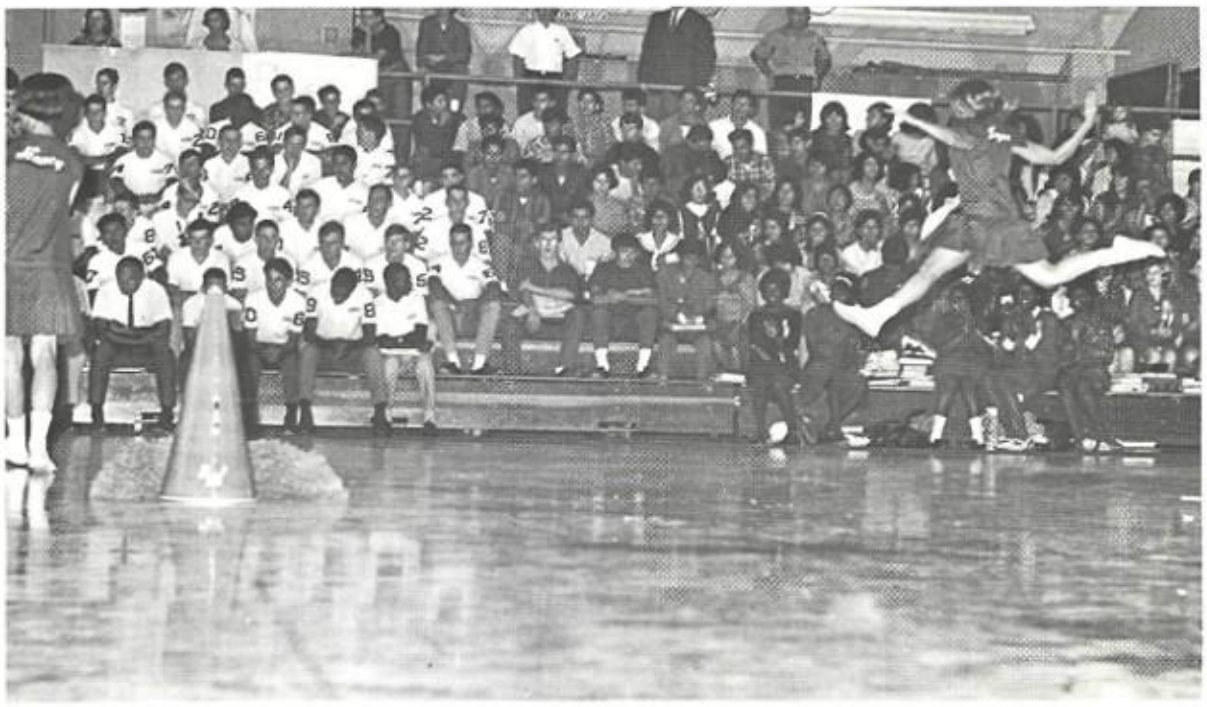


TOP: Football players seem to show various moods when the Alma Mater is sung.

LEFT: The bonfire showed that not only students show enthusiasm at the bonfire.

RIGHT: Missy Hardy seemed to put all she had into her twirling in the pep rally in the new gym.





In the new gym Coach Sigle shows the seriousness and the importance of the pep rally and the football game.

It seems the different moods range from serious to gay.

School Spirit Is Promoted at Pep Rallies

Pep rallies always mean so much to so many. Spirit seemed to grow at each pep rally, although the moods of the students and faculty seemed to range. Enthusiasm, spirit and concentration are all involved in the pep rallies.

The old gym was a perfect place for a skit put on by Nancy Tunnell and Becky Pinkett.

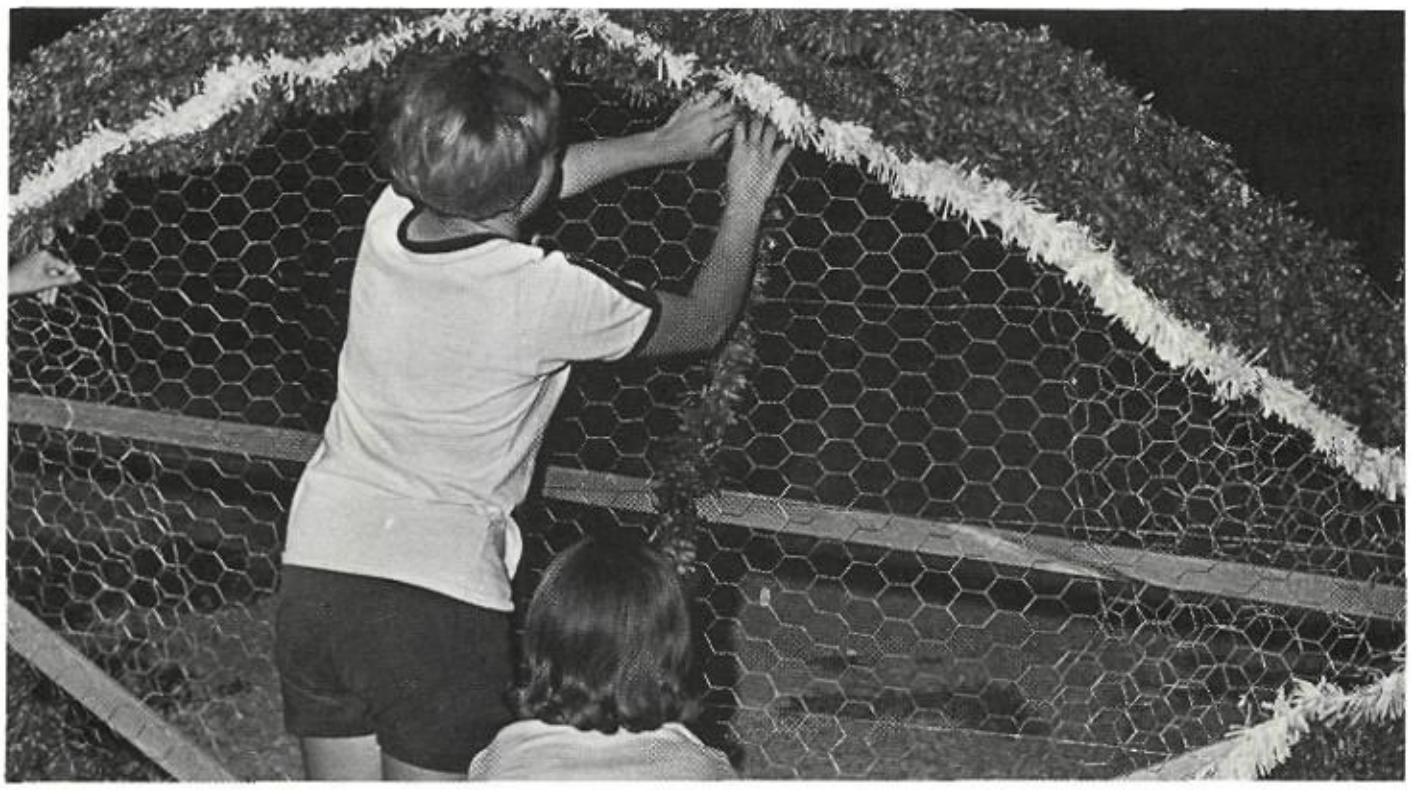
The fire was lighted and the memories of football, homecoming, and past bonfires appeared.

Slowly but steadily the bonfire grew to great proportions.

Braving the cold to support their team are some of the student body in a car parade.

Homecoming Highlights Football Season

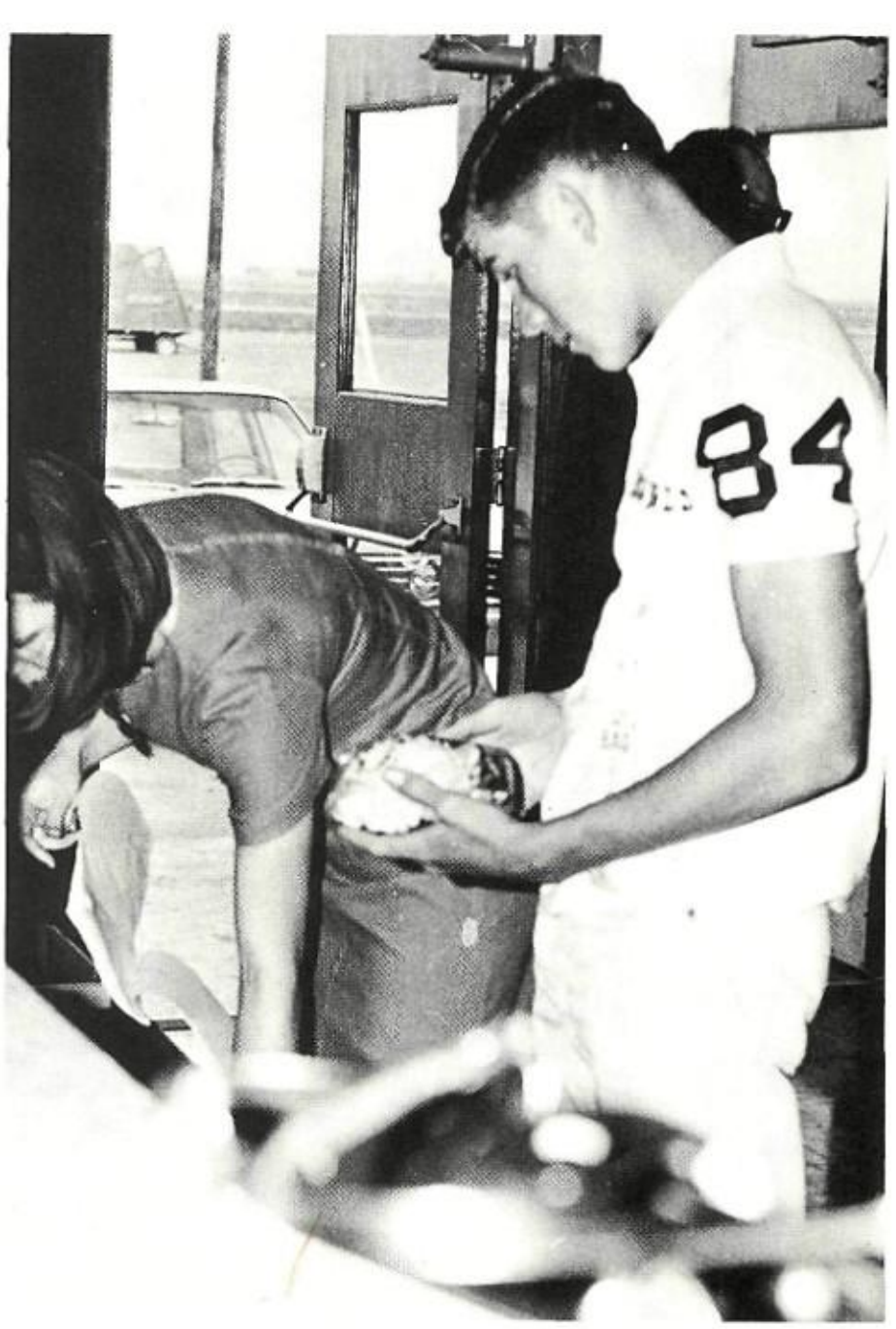
Homecoming is both a joyous and sad time. Seniors see their last real football game, while ex-students return to relive past memories.



Cynthia Glasson and Cheryl Phillips try to show their artistic talents by helping build the football for the Homecoming dance.

Mrs. Lowman helps Ronnie Homann with his mum for homecoming.

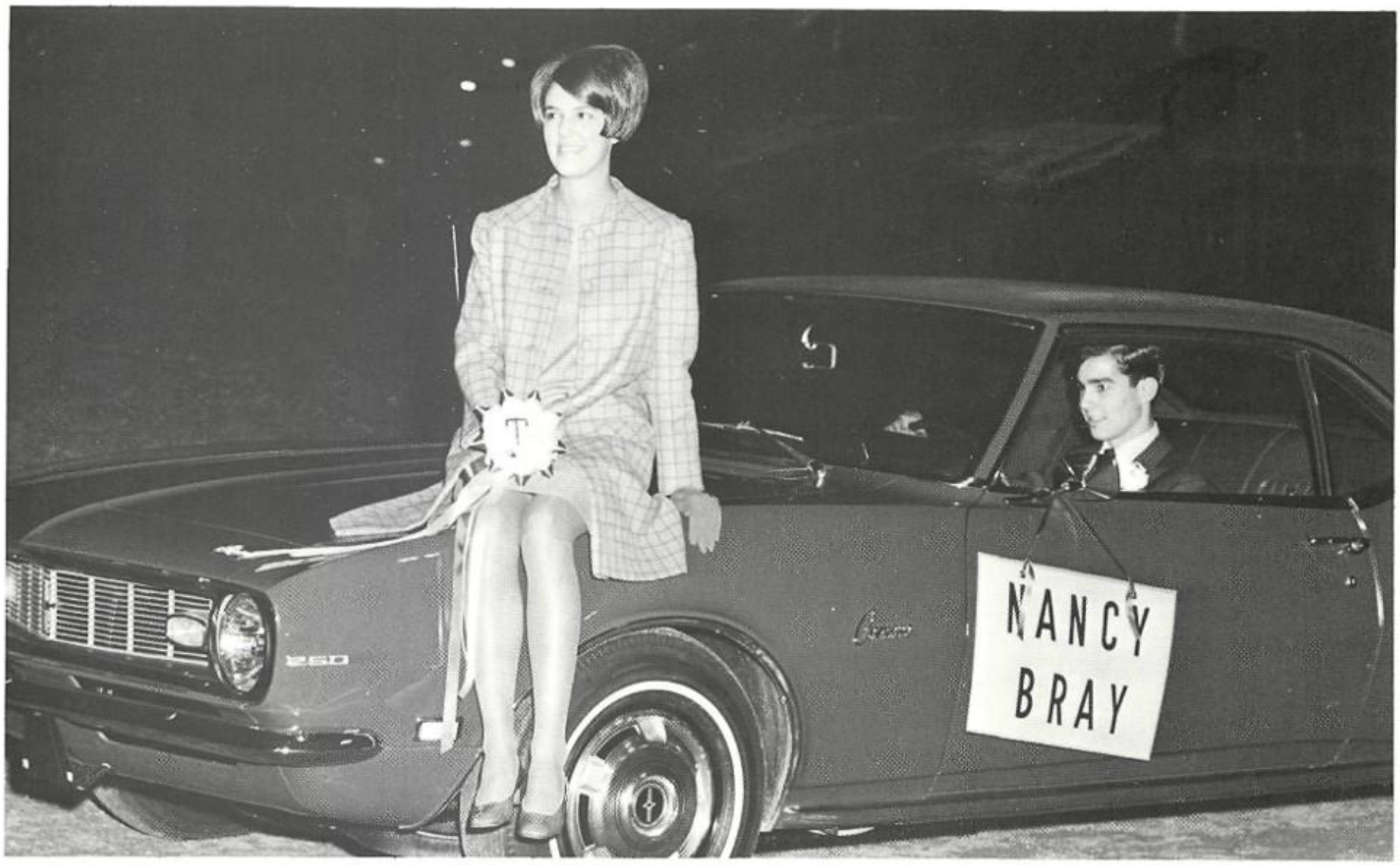
The Sophomores really go wild with their paper collage hall in the Hall Contest during the Homecoming Week.



Homecoming queen nominees: Debie Marsh, Hildi Brattaaker, Celeste Duprie, Cheryl Shelburne, Cheryl Phillips, and Nancy Bray.

Debie Marsh, escorted by her father, C. R. Marsh.

The 1966 Queen, Carol Kolb, presents Hildi a bouquet of Red Roses for her parents in Norway and also a bouquet of white Mums from the student body.



Nancy Bray, homecoming queen nominee, shows her excitement of the homecoming activities. Noe Duprie tries to keep his eyes on the road.

Norwegian Is Crowned Homecoming Queen

During the Homecoming activities the nominees and the queen seem to show increased excitement.

Hildi Brattaaker and her American father C. J. Toland seemed bewildered by the excitement of Hildi being chosen Homecoming Queen.

Twenty Students Receive "DS" Awards

The "Distinguished Students of Taft High School" were chosen in and presented in assembly. These students were picked by the departments, as an outstanding student throughout the year in his studies.

Twenty students were honored for their outstanding work this year.

Nancy Bray can not believe she was winner of the Betty Crocker Award.

The Distinguished Students seem to be in various moods over their honors.

Jackie Tims receives his Distinguished Student Award from Steve Pullin. Jackie was nominated by the Art Department.

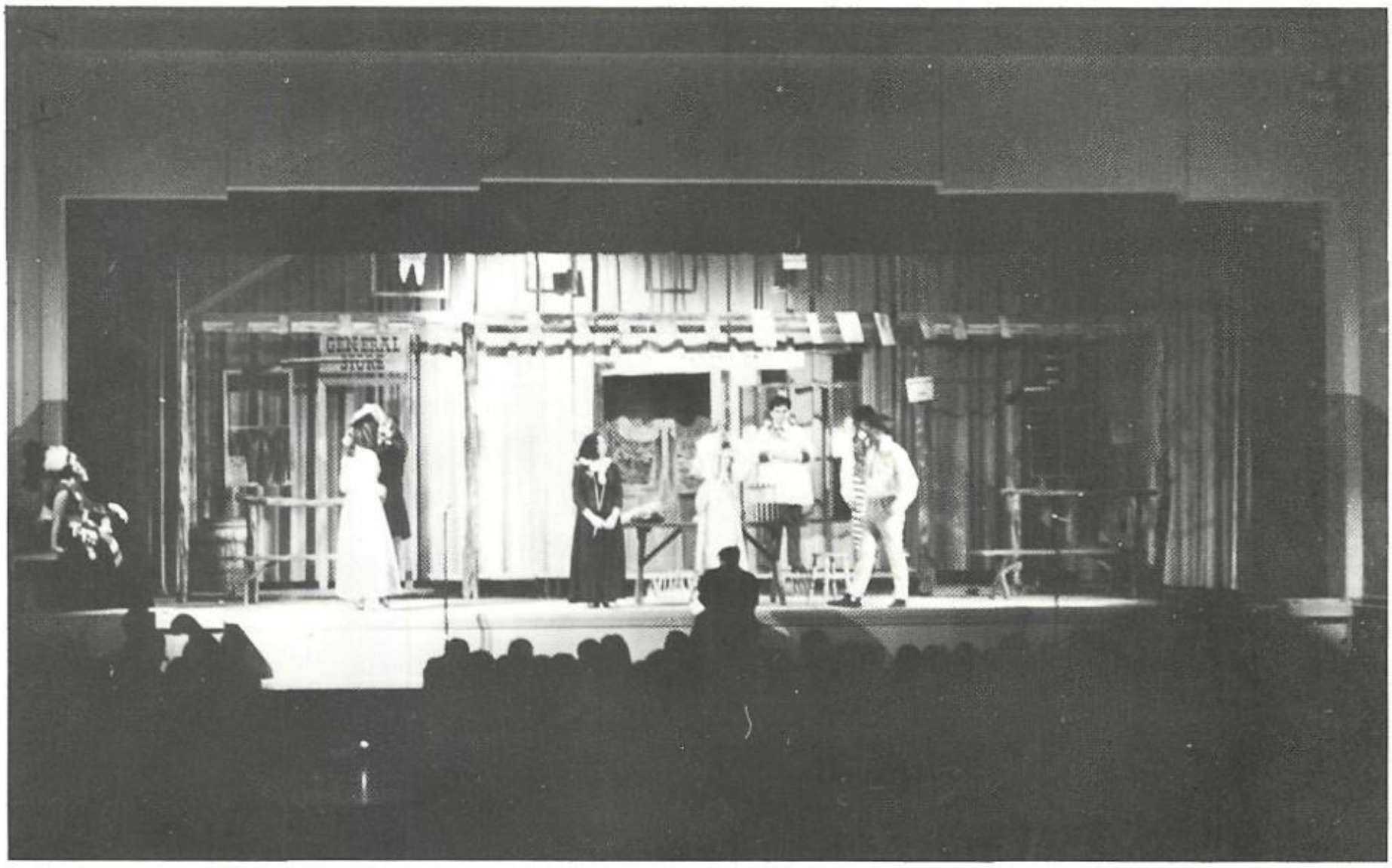
Mrs. C. J. Toland presents Curt Davis with the "Creative Writing Award," sponsored by the Woman's Club of Taft.

Drama Students Present Plays

The Drama Class displayed its best for the Elementary grades, in their portrayal of "Cinderella." They enjoyed every moment of preparing for the play. The children at the elementary schools enjoyed their performance very much.

TOP LEFT: Jimmy Hisey, portraying a wicked step sister, bounds across the stage. Juanita Guerra, Rosalinda Rodriguez and Imelda Rendon seem uninterested in Jimmy's entrance.

BOTTOM: With cast on stage, the play draws to a close.



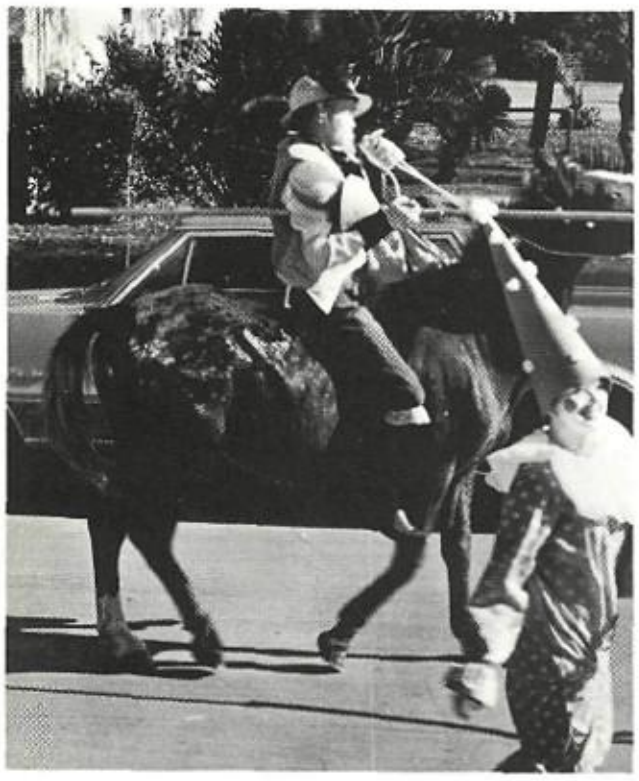
Seniors "Tame the Shrew"

The seniors displayed their best with their portrayal of William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew." The setting of the play was done in western style. Many people will long remember Cicely Hacket's Saloon, can-can girls, and the immortal "taming of the shrew."

Students Join in Christmas Spirit

Christmas meant so much to so many. The Christmas parade and door decorations contest seemed to start Christmas off at Taft High School. The Christmas assemblies seemed to show the different serious and comical moods. Christmas was a joyous and serious occasion for all.

The Christmas parade shows that even a clown and Don Quixote enter the Christmas spirit.



The Band shows its usual good style in the Christmas Parade.

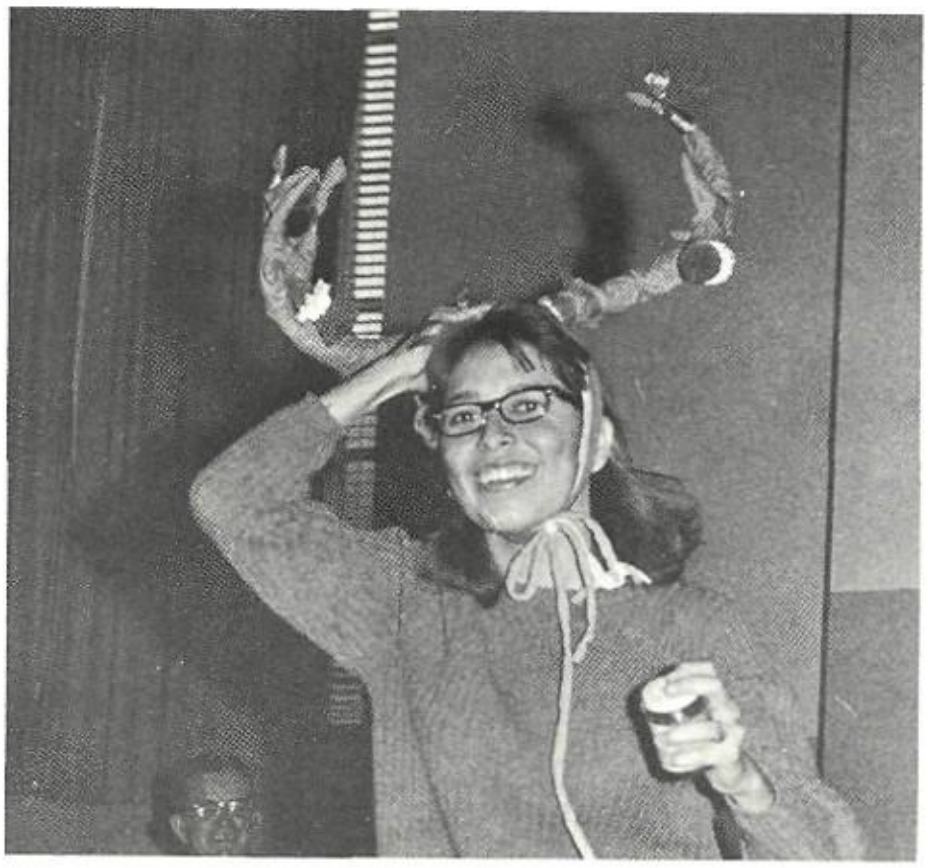
Hildi Brattaaker and Steve Pullin ride the Student Council float past the judges in the Christmas parade.

Beth Guedin seems to be shearing a Christmas tree for their door decorations for the newspaper staff.

Gary Moody shows his surprise as Jean Swanson attacks "Santa" in the Student Council play, "The Night Before Christmas."

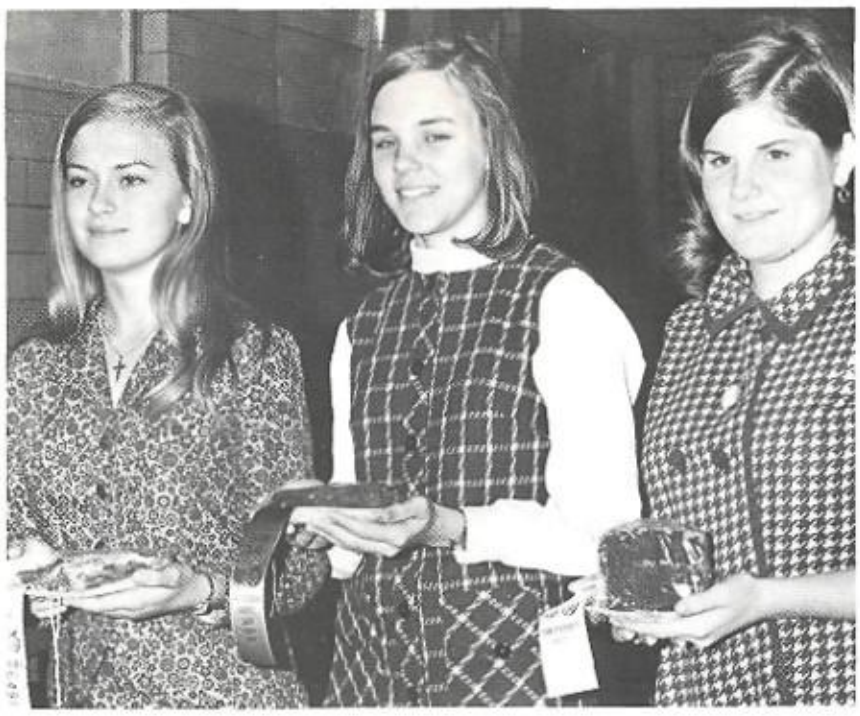
Celeste Duprie, Annette Brezina, Beth Guedin and Mary Jane Ingram show their artistic skills in decorating a door.

Gloria Garcia was a reindeer in the Student Council play.

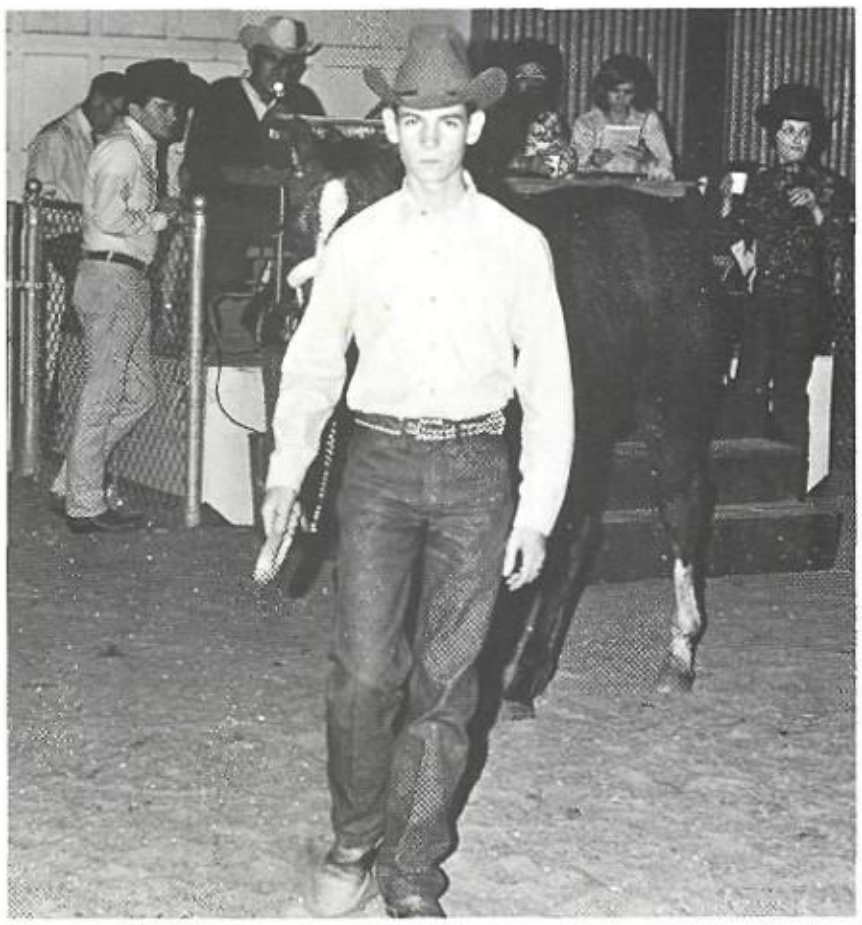


F.F.A., F.H.A., and 4-H Take Part in County Show

The San Patricio County Agriculture and Homemakers Show, in Sinton, proved to be fun and prosperous for all the Taft High School participants. As usual, there was a large group of Taft High School students participating in the show. Thru much preparation for the show and much effort, a number of students received several outstanding awards.



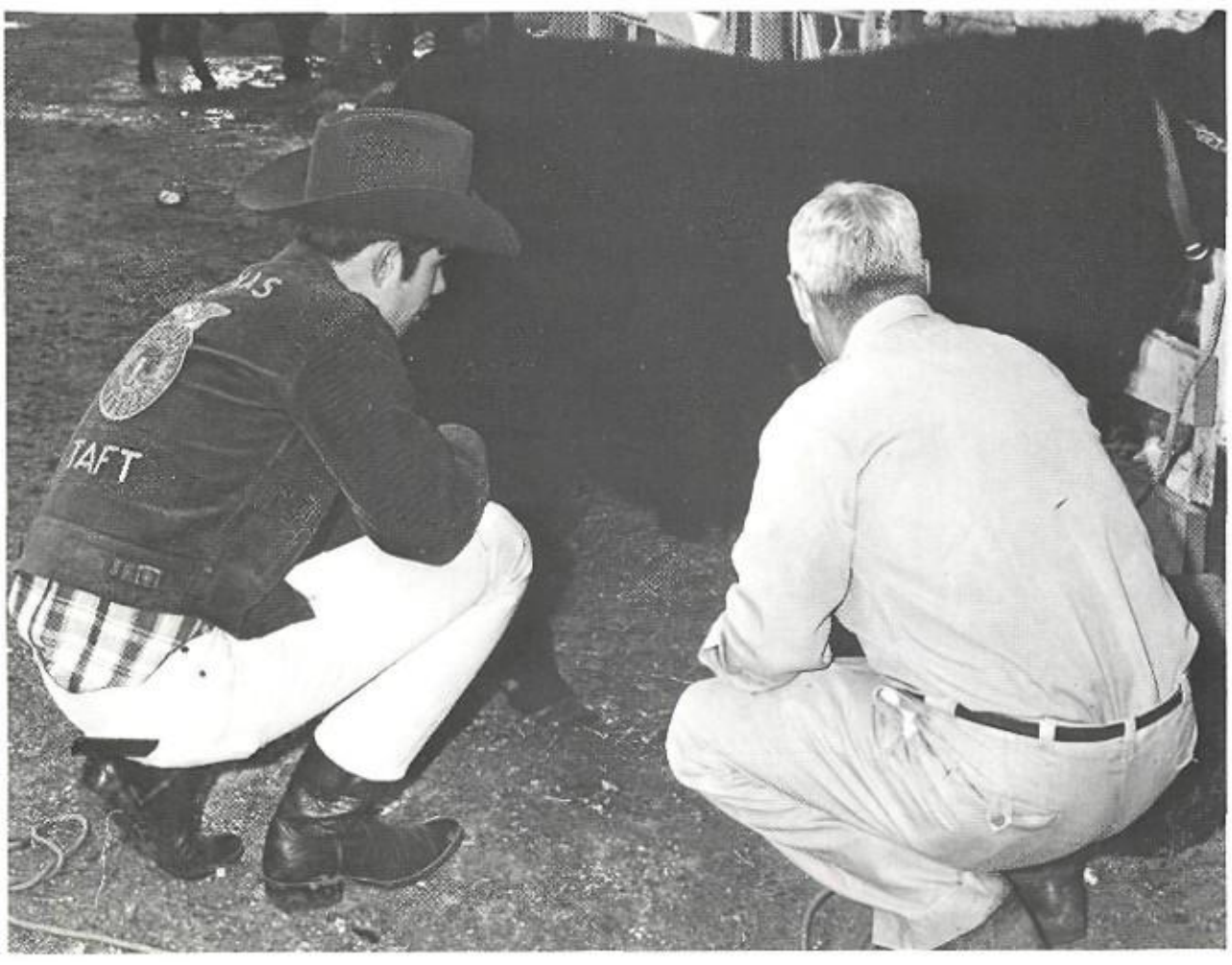
Valerie Becker, Pam Bennett, and Ann Rachal brought home honors for their food entries.



Miles Reynolds shows his seriousness as he passes by the judges at the fair.

Tommy Reding and Mr. Tomlin, Ag. adviser, look over Tommy's angus.

Suzan Threadgill gets her working tools ready for grooming her horse.



Betty Koonce took top place in both food and clothing divisions.

Billy McClanahan, Kenneth Poenisch, Mac Hunt and Robert Poenisch relax at the fair by playing cards.

All the candidates seem in various moods during their introduction to the student body.

Sandy Oliff cast her ballot for her choice in the ballot box.

Elections Highlight Year

Student Council elections and the election of class presidents and class representatives were held February 23. Campaigning was at its peak when the election took place. An assembly was held to introduce the candidates for the offices they were running for. The tension mounted every moment a candidate was introduced. When the day of the election finally arrived, the students had reached their decisions on their candidates. Suzan Threadgill was elected to head the 1969 Student Council.

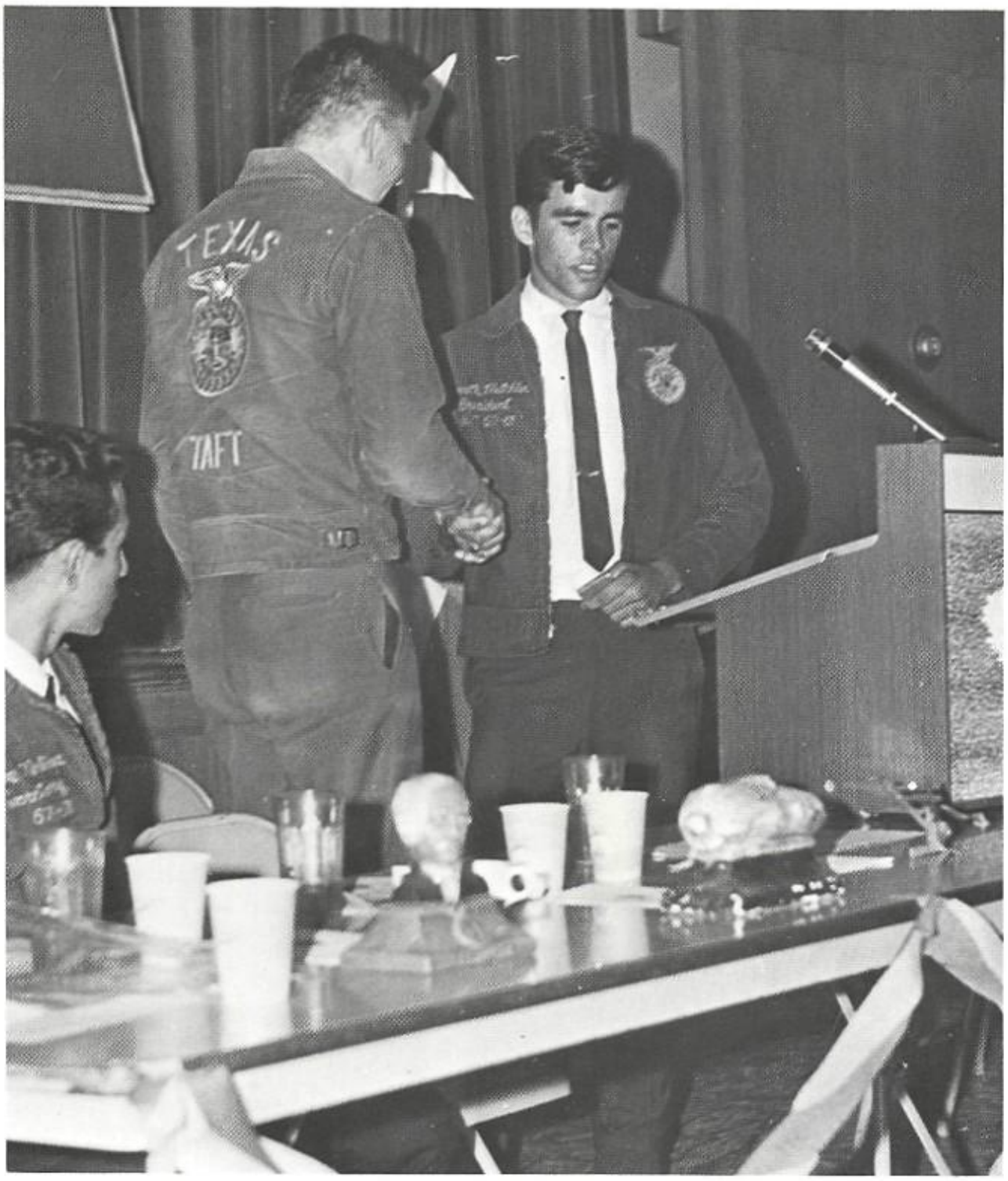
Assemblies Are of Interest to Students

As school begins to come to a close, farewell speeches, prophecies, and wills seem appropriate. During our last assembly program, there was a variety of programs. Hildi Brattaaker, our first foreign exchange student, said her good-byes. She considered Texas as her second home and will always remember her year at Taft High School. After Hildi's farewell speech, the annual reading of the will and prophecy was done. The juniors presented their prophecy in the form of "Bonnie and Clyde" and the seniors presented their will in a very unusual and indescribable manner. Juniors presented an accurate account of things to come and seniors parted with several possessions they truly loved. It seems that the juniors and seniors always are so kind to each other.

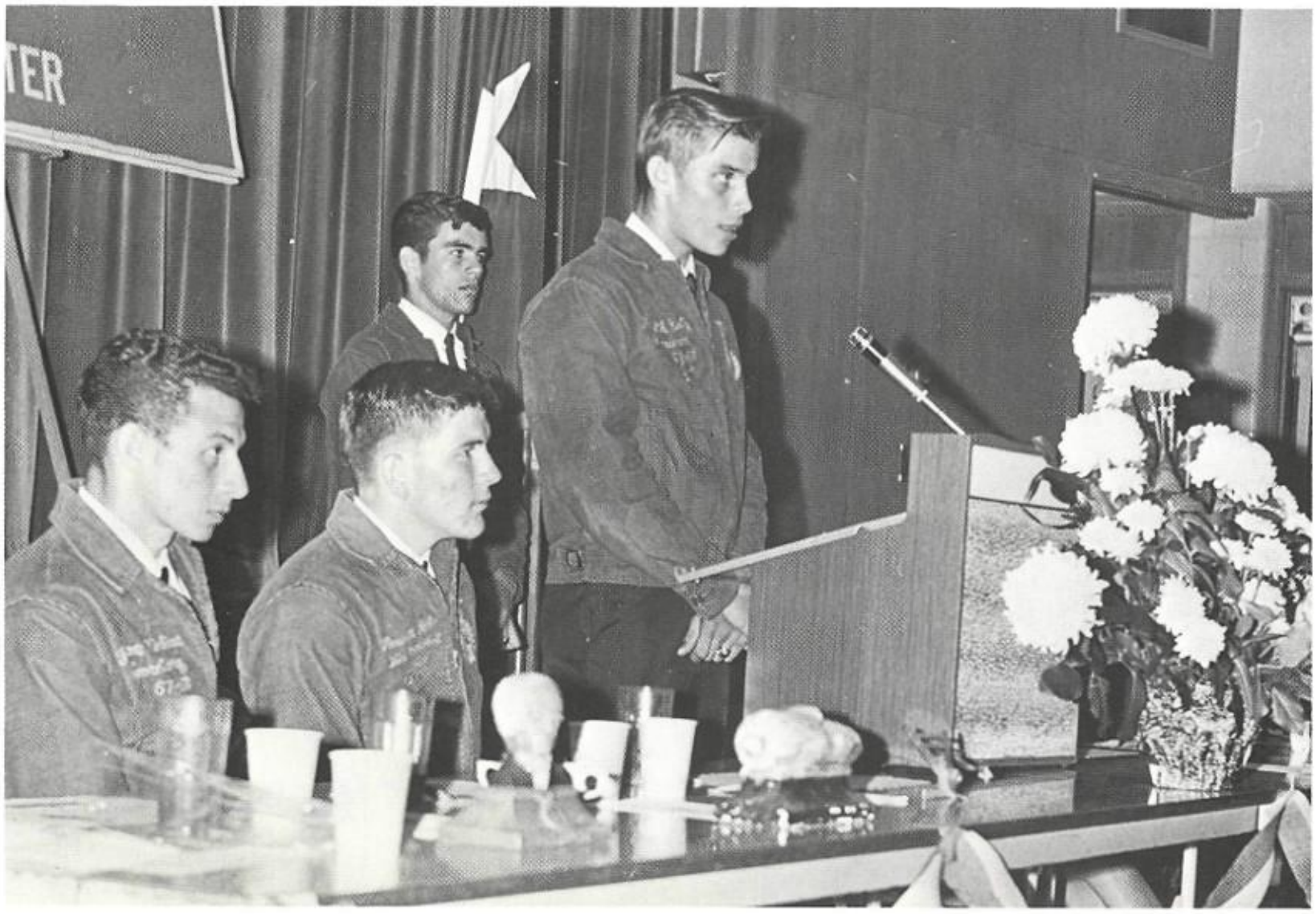
Students Honored at Banquets

The Future Farmers of America Chapter of Taft sponsored its annual Father and Son banquet, this year.

The Taft Athletic Club honored the athletes of Taft High School with a banquet at the East Elementary Cafeteria. At this banquet boys and girls were honored as being outstanding: Frank Davis for basketball, track and All-Around Athlete; Ray Gabrysch and Lester Rhodes for football; Melvin Ramos for baseball; and Karen Randolf for girls basketball.



Kenny Mutchler presents Kenneth Hutto with the Dekalb Award.



Kenneth Gatz announces the judging contestants in all fields of agriculture.

The various guests of the F.F.A. enjoy the speaker and program before they eat.

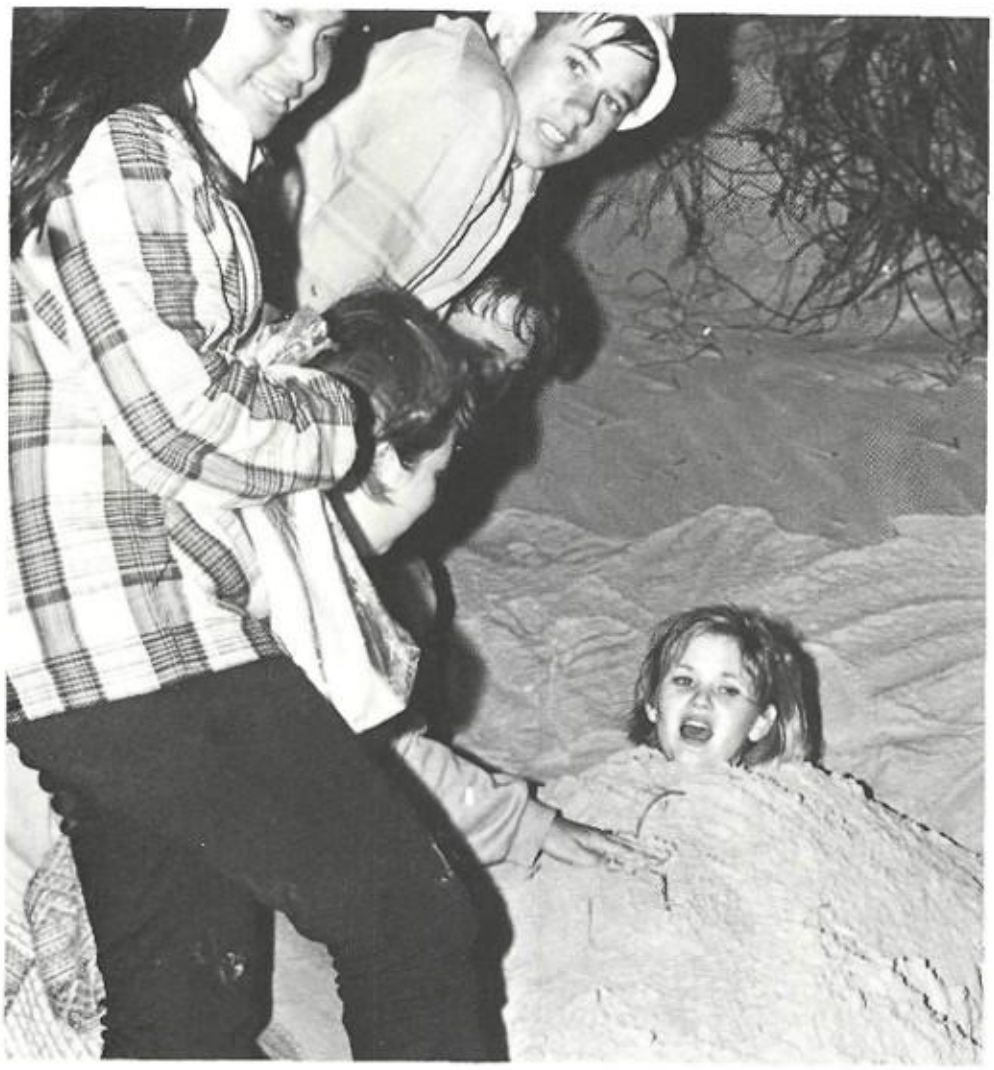
Cheryl Shelburne, chapter sweetheart, seems pleased with her corsage she has just received.

A.F.S. Weekend

The Taft High School Student Council this year sponsored an AFS weekend for several foreign exchange students. Students from Australia, France, Norway, Iran, Argentina, England, The Philippines, and Italy attended. It was a busy and a very short weekend. The foreign students were taken to the Reynolds Plant and to visit the Wildlife foundation. After they returned back to Taft, they were honored with a beach party. The next day the students visited Texas A & I University and the King Ranch in Kingsville. After their visit there they journeyed to Corpus Christi to eat and to visit the Naval Air Station. That night they were honored at a dance. Sunday morning the students attended various churches and some had to return home.

It was so sad to see them go but the weekend was most enjoyable.

AFS'ers Visit Taft High

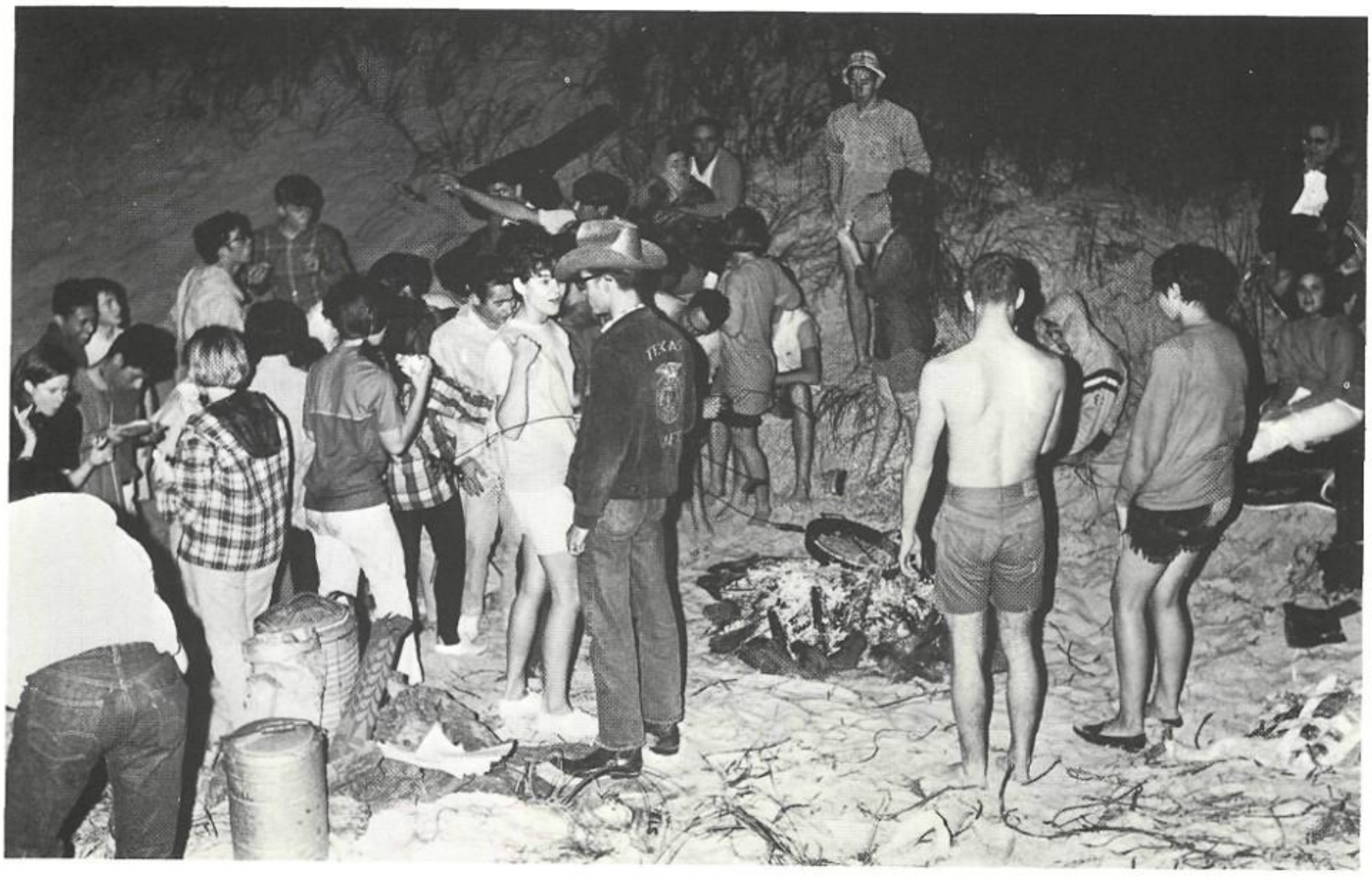


OPPOSITE PAGE: TOP: During an assembly, the foreign students were introduced to the student body and questioned about their countries.

BOTTOM: Steve Pullin gives his welcome and introduction of our special guest.

TOP LEFT: Anne Ayers seems buried in her thoughts during the AFS Beach Party.

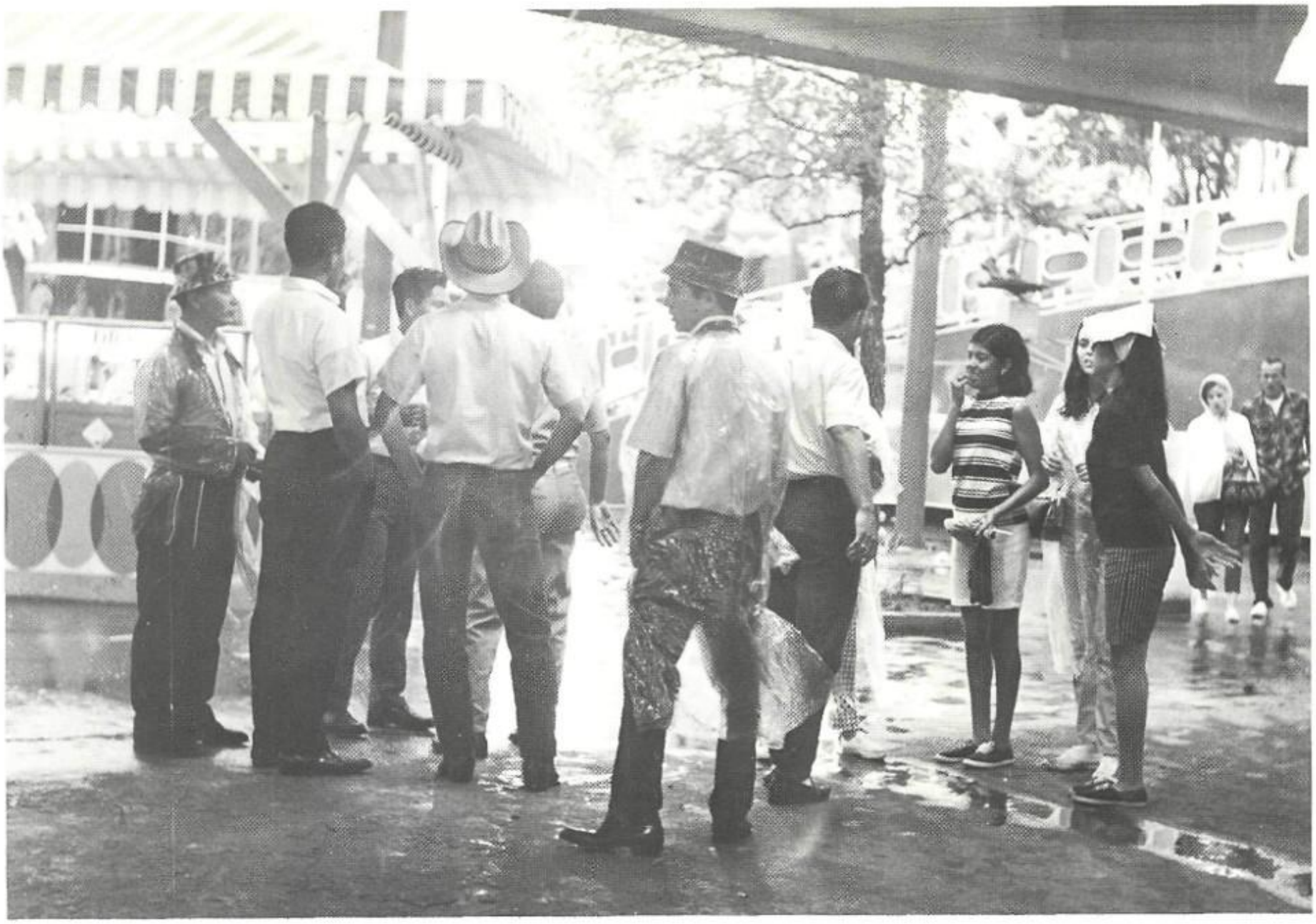
BOTTOM LEFT: As mass hunger struck. The AFS students, as well as the Taft High students, roasted hot dogs and drank ice tea.



Seniors Visit World's Fair

Amid the rush and the hurry, Jean Swanson, Nancy Tunnell, Karen Dozier, and Nancy Bray take time out for a brief rest.

Nancy Tunnel and Celeste Duprie seem to have done quite well at the carnival.

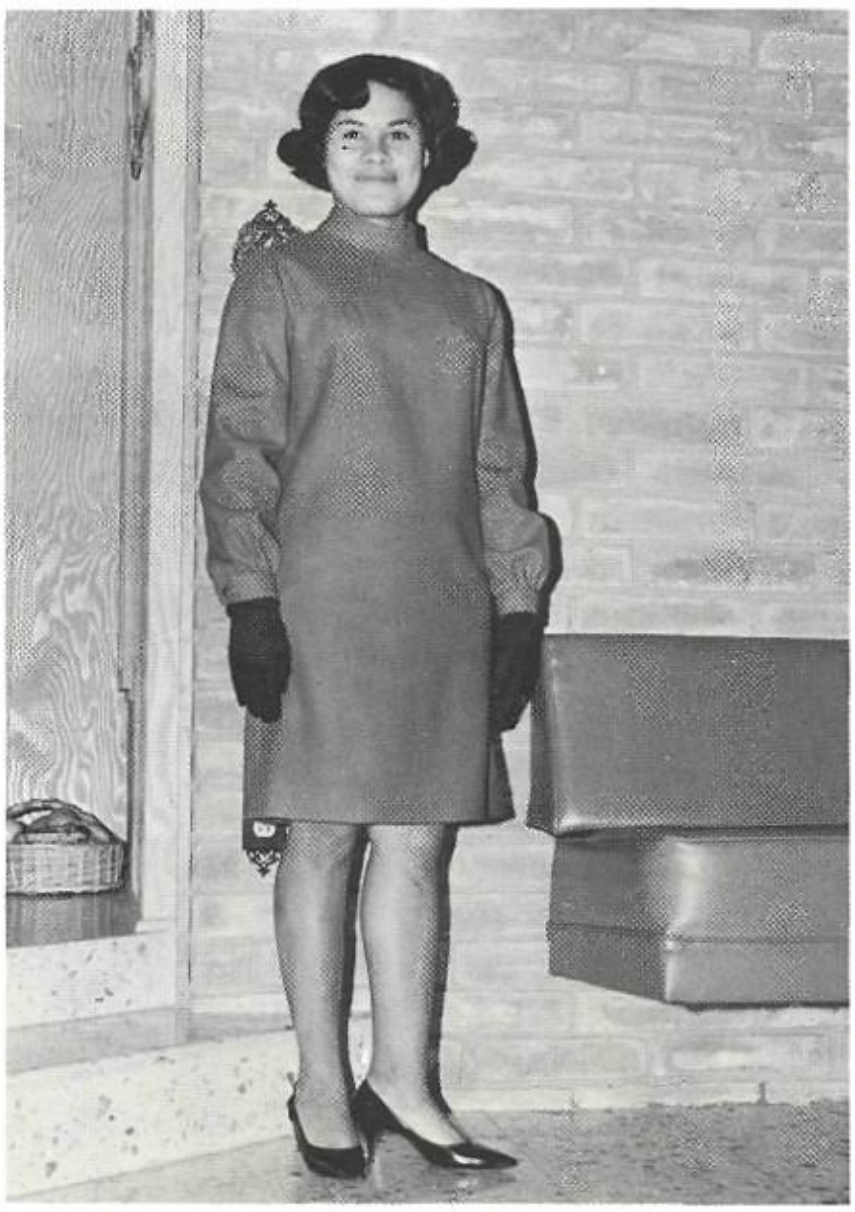


The Seniors journeyed to San Antonio for their trip this year to the Hemis-Fair. They walked amid a world's fair of excitement and pleasure. With twelve hours of fun ahead, the seniors walked all over the fair to find something exciting. After being scattered all over the fair the seniors came together to eat supper at the "All you can eat buffet." With the coming of night the fair lit up with its gaiety and merriment. At ten o'clock the seniors left the fair tired but happy and pleased.

Girls "Make It With Wool"

Several girls from the HE department entered the "Make It With Wool Contest" in San Antonio this year. Each girl displayed her talent in making fashions of wool. The various designs and materials show each girl's individual taste and style. Betty Koonce placed third in the contest. Her suit was also the highest graded piece of work in the entire contest. All the girls did quite well and each girl will long remember the contest. The girls had fun in San Antonio, window shopping and just enjoying the city life, as well as working to get top honors in the "Make It With Wool Contest." Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Lowman accompanied the girls on the trip and enjoyed every minute.

NANCY TUNNELL



CLAUDIA MARTINEZ

LUCILLE MONTES

BETTY KOONCE
Third Place winner.

KAREN DOZIER

CELESTE DUPRIE

THS Is Well Represented at District UIL Meet

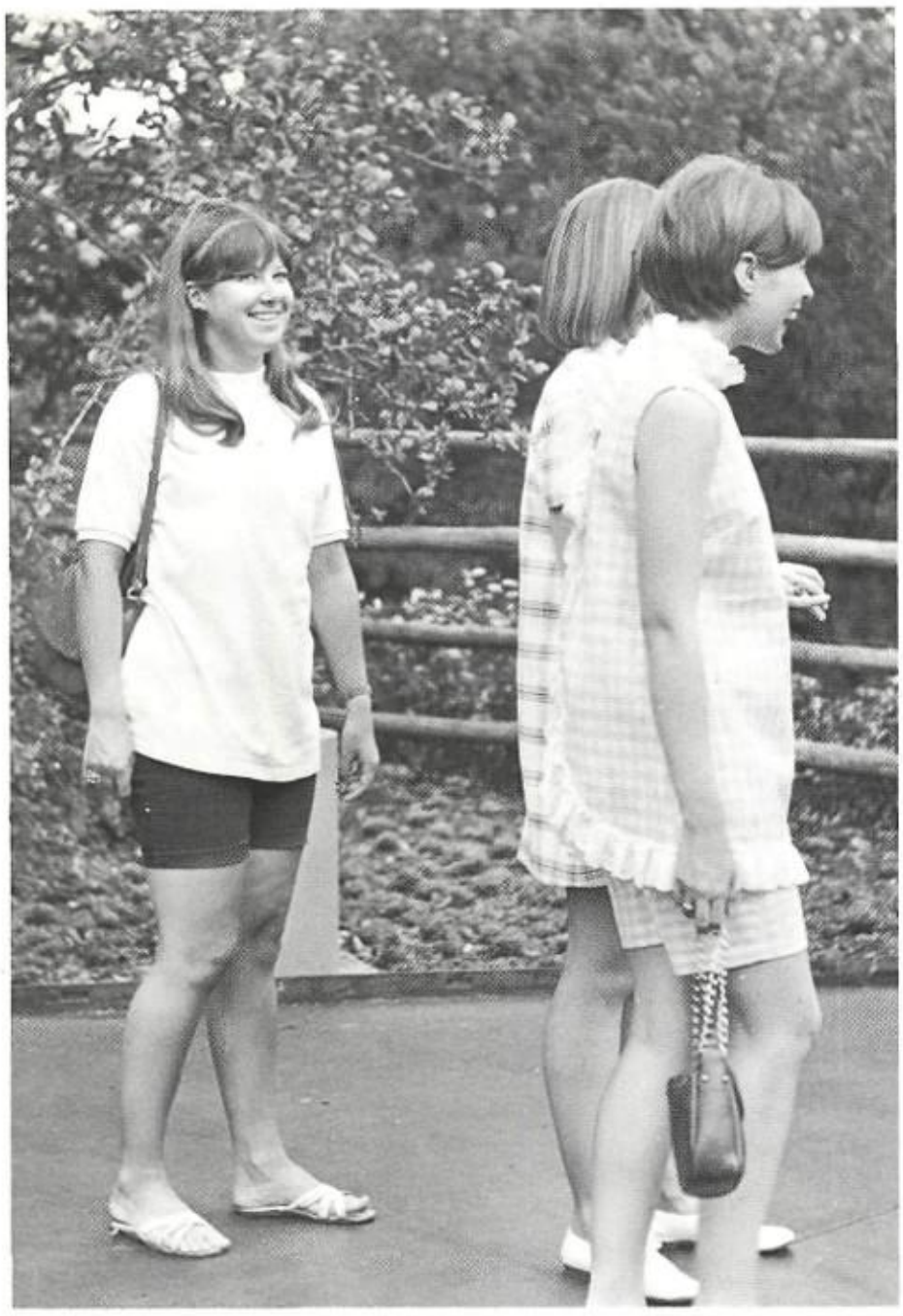
Taft High School was well represented in U.I.L. competition, this year. There were many entrants from the various schools and Taft won many honors. Joe Hernandez won first in extemperaneous speaking, Joyce Rotzler won second in ready writing, Patti Toland won second in Girl's Prose, Betty Koonce and Ranell Titus won second in girl's debate, Michael Howard won second in Boy's Prose, Curt Davis won second in Boy's Poetry and Becky Pinkett won second in girls extemporaneous speaking. Joe Hernandez and Joyce Rotzler went on to Regional, where Joe won first place and was entered in the state meet in Austin.

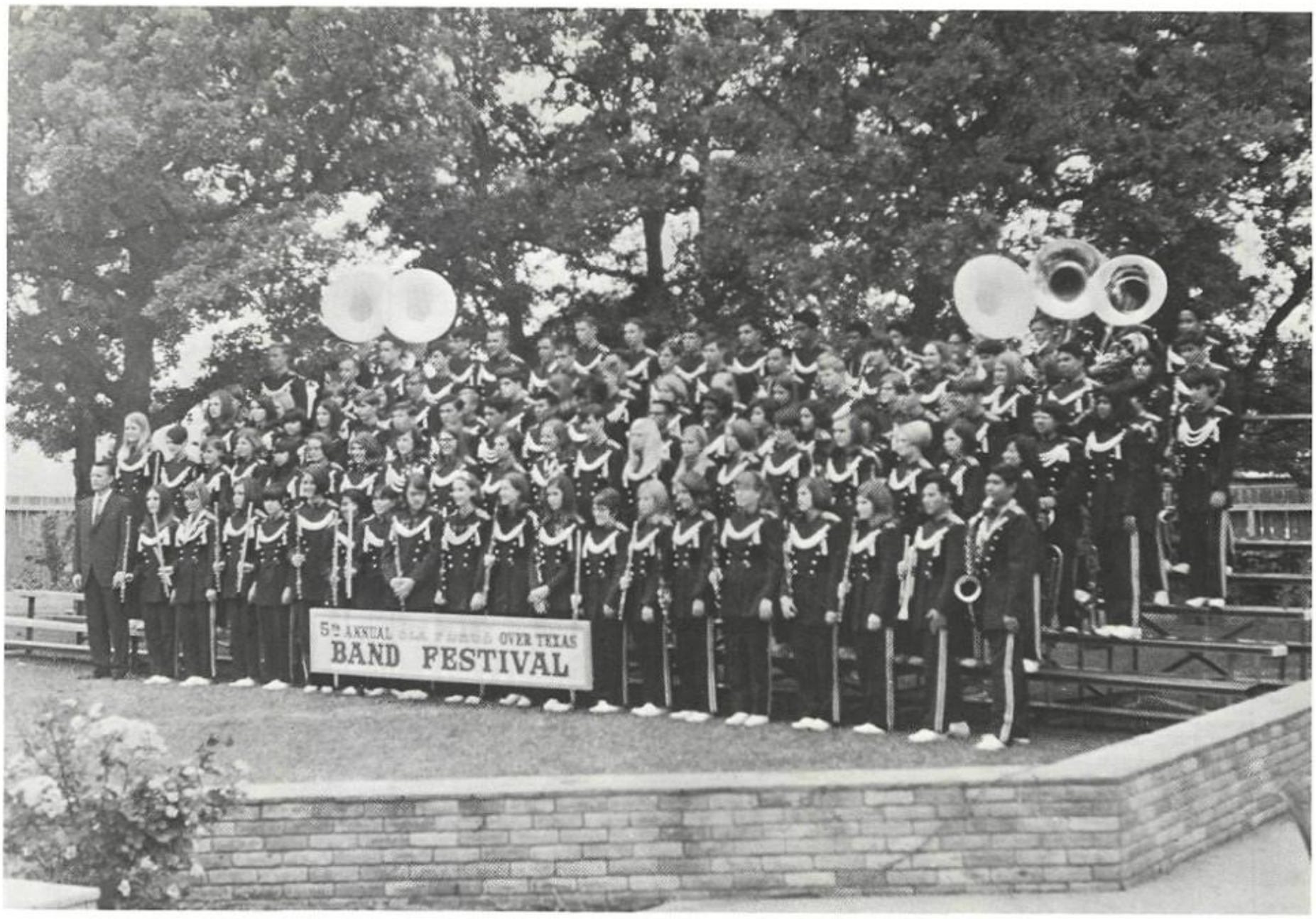
Joe Hernandez Places at State

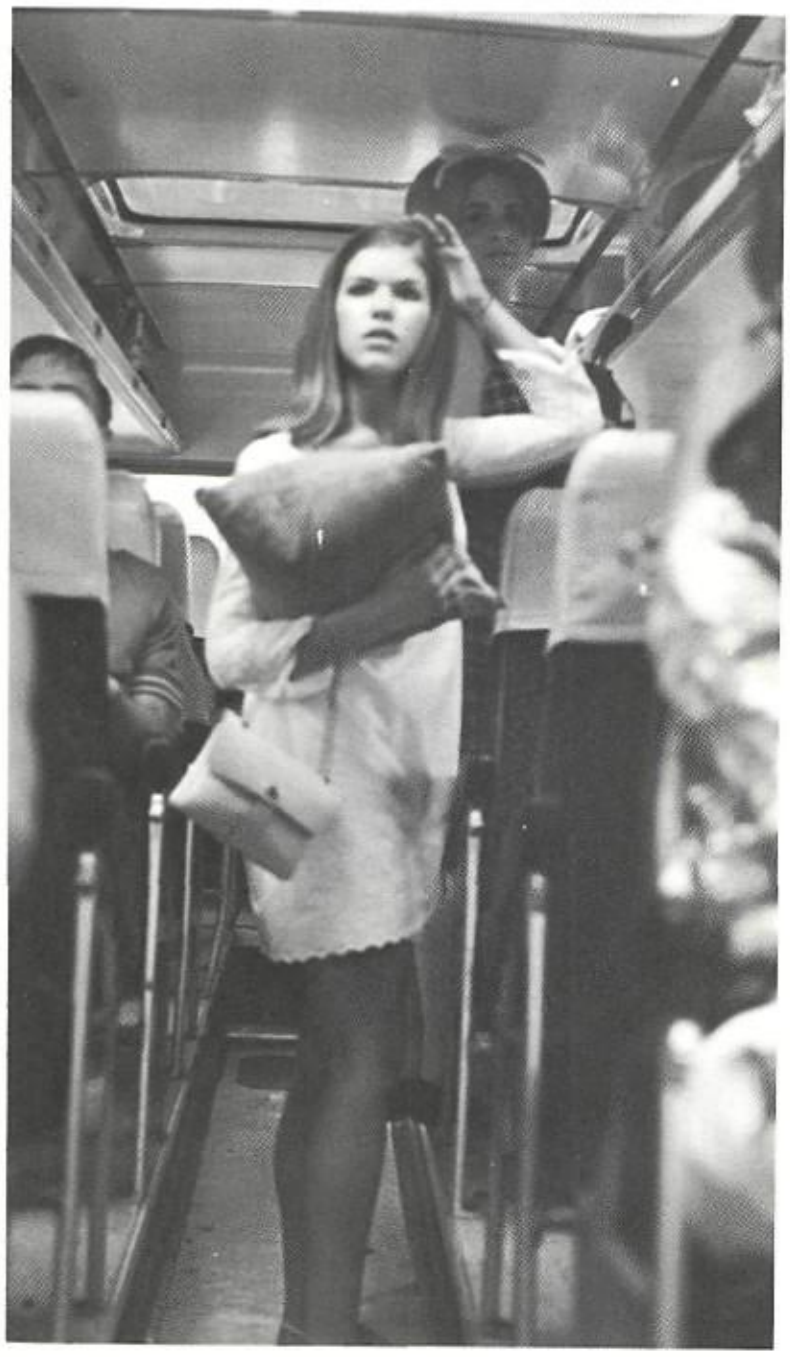
Joe Hernandez was Taft's only entrant in any State UIL competition. This was Joe's first year to enter any competition and he did quite well. He won first in district competition in Corpus Christi and went on to win first at Regional. At the state meet he won fourth.

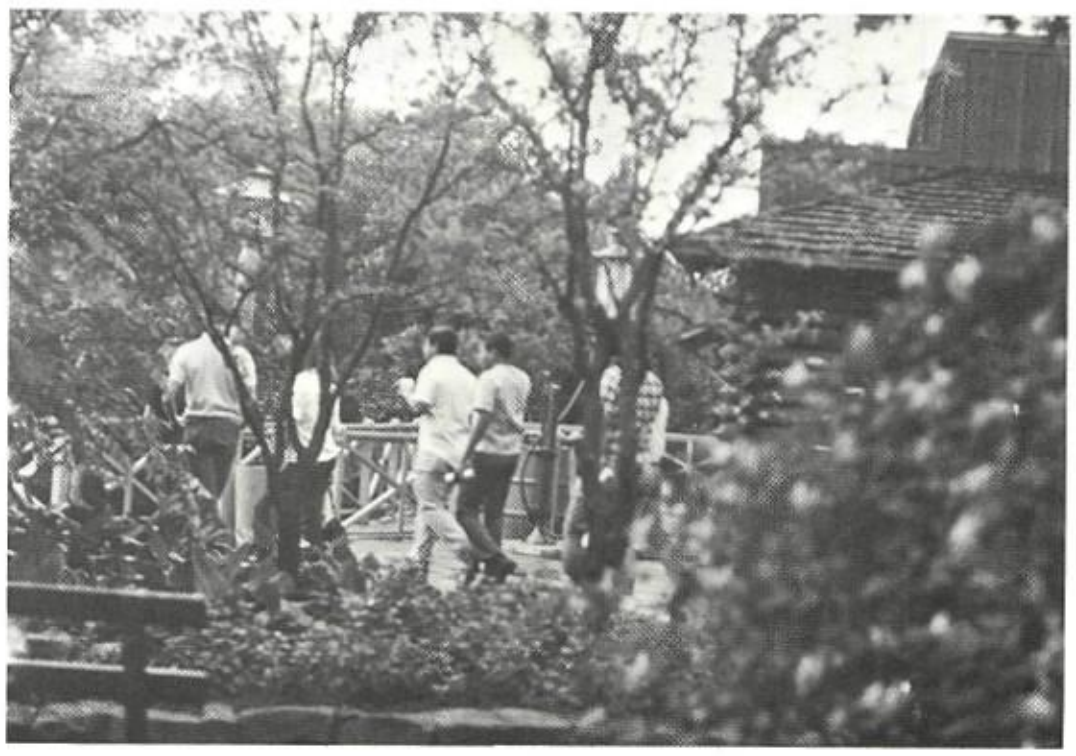
Band Invited to Six Flags

The band left Taft at eight o'clock for their long awaited trip to the Six Flags Band Festival. They arrived tired and weary but excited after their trip on the Greyhound buses. After a rest, the band went to the University of Texas at Arlington to practice for their concert. Arriving back at the Six Flags Inn, the members of the band had some free time before their curfew of twelve thirty arrived. The next morning the band played their concert. Their rating was a two, which is fine for their first competition of this sort. After the concert, the band ate and was turned loose on Six Flags. The band left at eleven o'clock for their long ride home through rough weather. They arrived in Taft at six thirty in the morning, happy and contented.









TOP: The band poses for their picture at the Six Flags Band Festival.

BOTTOM LEFT: Brenda Ewald seems bewildered by the whole idea of going to Six Flags.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Walking through Six Flags, the members of the band enjoy their brief visit.

Delegates Attend State Conventions

Delegates to the Texas Association of Student Councils; Becky Pinkett, Gail Ivey, Carolyn Wendel and Hildi Brattaaker show off their scrapbook which took Second Place in the State Competition in the combined classes of B, A and AA.

BELOW: Students pose at Trinity University where they attended a Journalism Conference.

FHA STATE DELEGATES: Mealine Becker, Roxie Schmidt, Sylvia Beyer, Theresa Langen and Mary Smith

Voting at TASC Convention.

Fun at TASC convention.

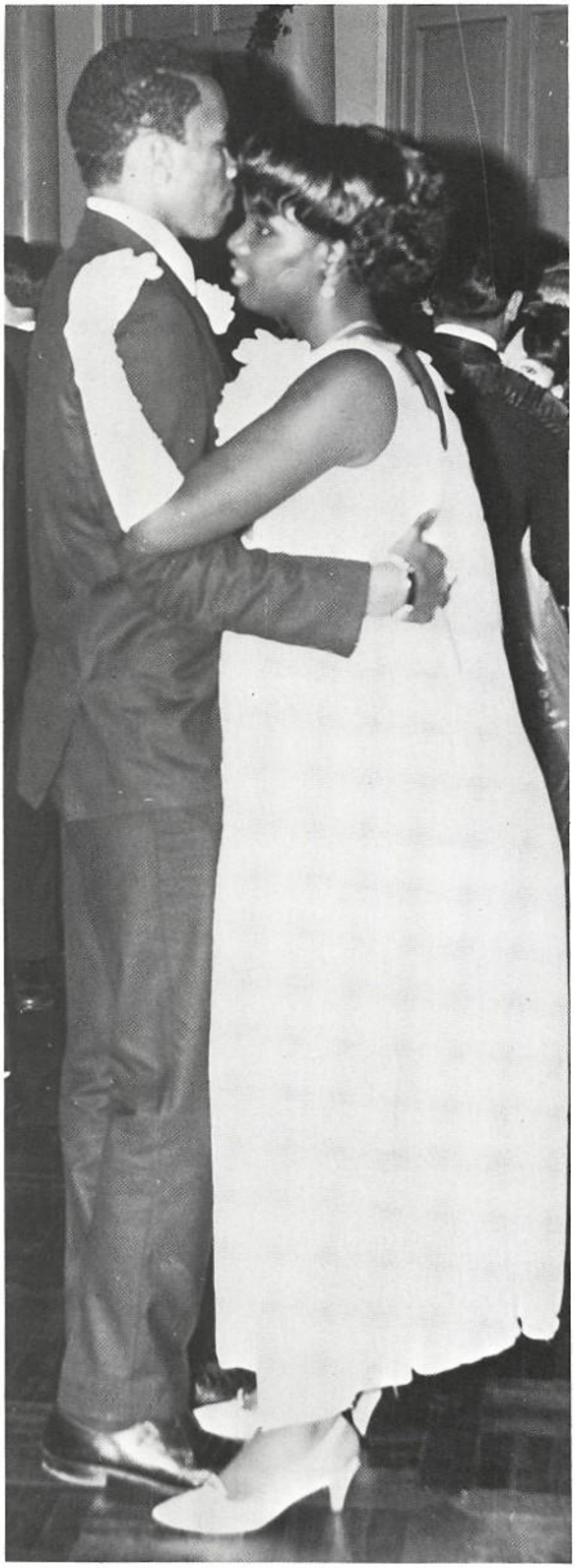
EXIT

Juniors and Seniors Prepare for Prom

As prom time came around this year, the juniors were ready. They had saved their money and were ready to use it. The juniors chose the theme "Roman Holiday," and worked hard to decorate and plan for it. The Corpus Christi Country Club provided the needed atmosphere for the Roman Holiday. The day of the prom had finally arrived and juniors began their traditional all day decorating. Sponsors as well as juniors decorated. They used every type of decoration imaginable. While the juniors prepared the Country Club, seniors made sure that they were ready for the prom. The boys picked up their date's flowers and the girls wore rollers all day to make themselves beautiful for the night to come. All were ready for the prom.

Friends, Romans, THS'ers Gather for "A Roman Holiday"

The night of the prom, finally arrived. As the Juniors and Seniors began to arrive, one could sense the excitement of everyone. The Country Club provided the needed atmosphere of the Roman Holiday theme. Beto Garcia's fine band provided the excellent music during the prom. There was time for dancing as well as conversation throughout the prom. Each junior and senior seemed to be in a new world of elegance and grace.



Corpus Christi Country Club Is Scene for Prom

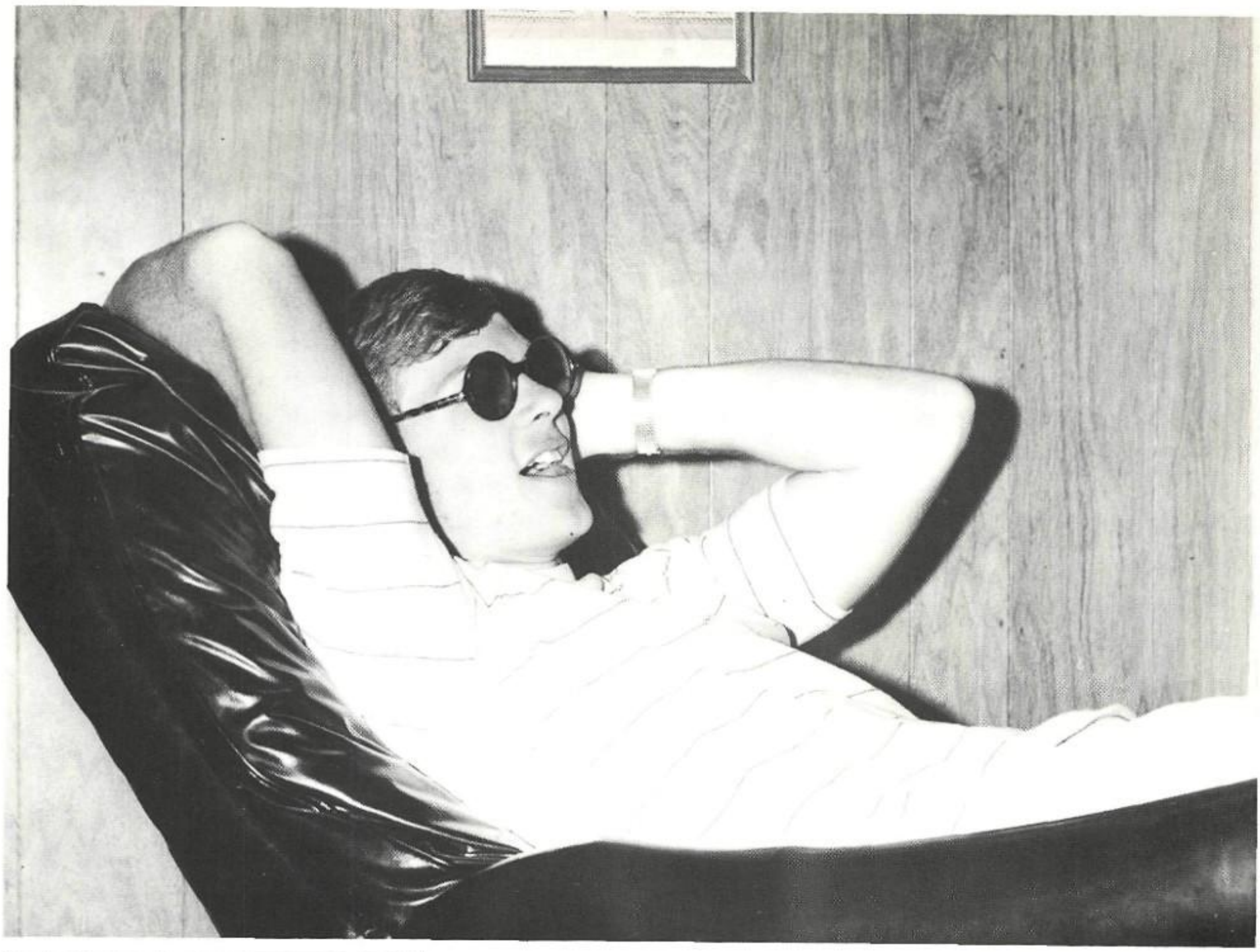
Juniors and seniors, alike, seemed to enjoy the fine food and decorations provided by the juniors at the prom. As the band played, the dance floor became crowded. The last song was announced, the juniors were proud of their work and the seniors were sad because it was their last prom.

Parties Honor Seniors

Each year the seniors are honored by many parties and receptions. This year there were parties given by many of the families plus the Mexican Baptist Mission, The Methodist Church, the Catholic Church and the Ladies Auxiliary.

There were dances, coke parties, luncheons, patio parties, swimming parties and many others. Many seniors were honored by these parties.

ABOVE: Kurt Wilson enjoys his supper at the A.D. Toland home in honor of Hildi Brattaaker.
LEFT TOP: Curt Davis rests up for the next party.
LEFT BOTTOM: Mrs. C. J. Toland serves Steve Pullin at one of the parties.
Hildi Brattaaker, Celeste Duprie, Larry Ewald, and Karen Dozier being served by Mrs. A. D. Toland.



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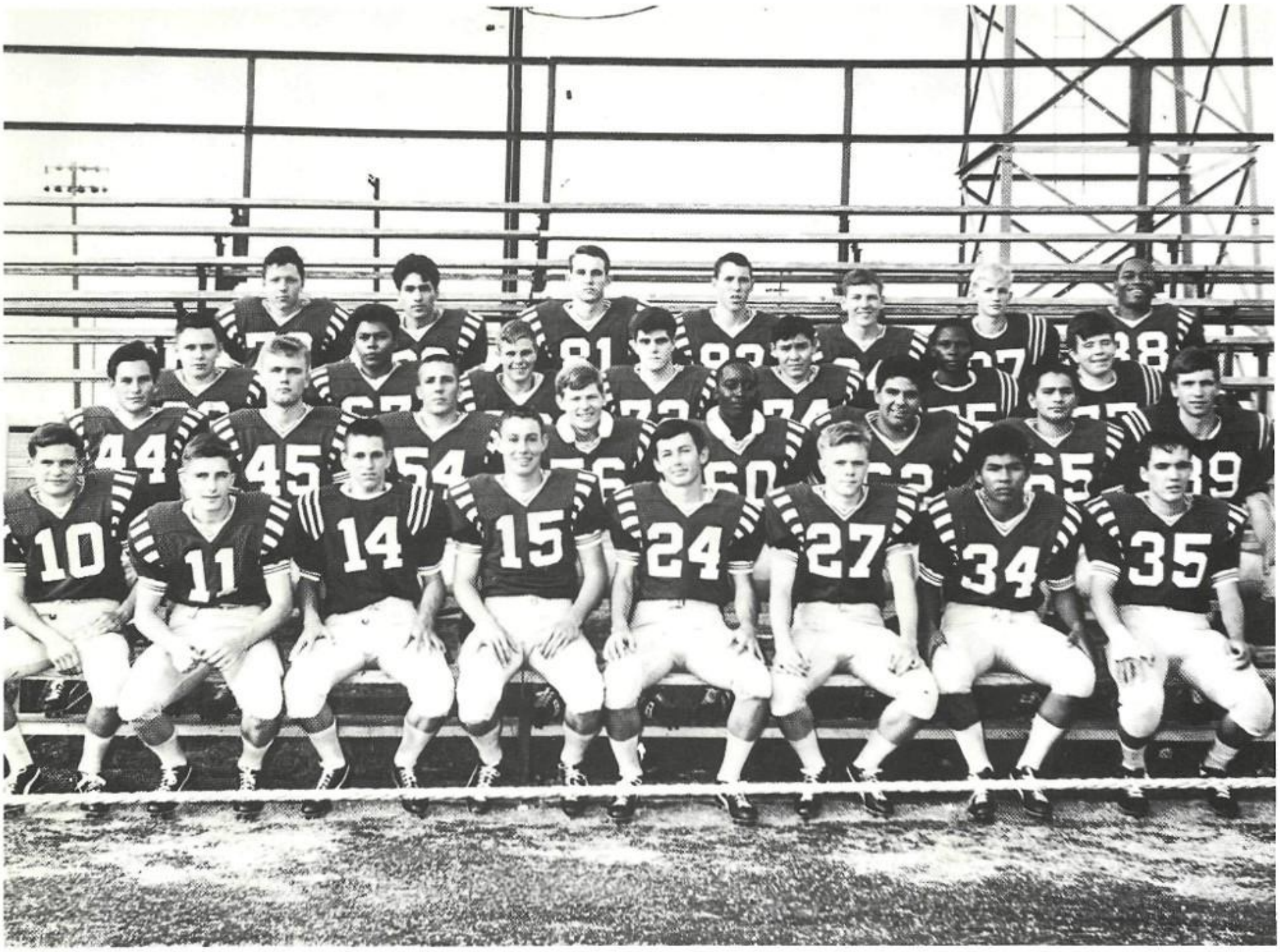


Limping Greyhounds Complete a Fair Season

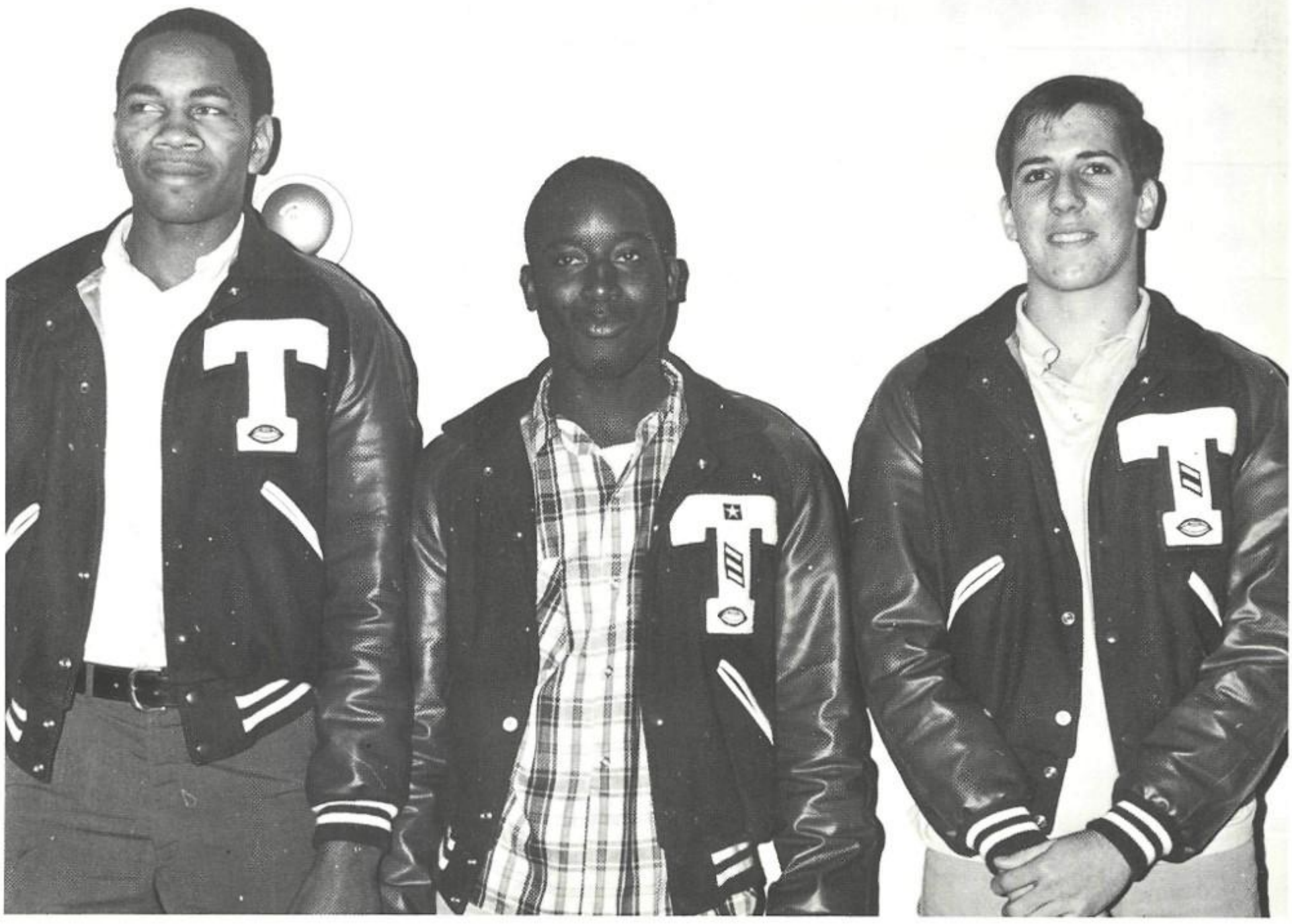
There were ups, and there were downs, but a young team of Greyhounds managed to complete a fair, overall season. The Greyhounds were often outmanned, but never quit. Their desire made up for their lack of experience as they managed to win four games and tie one for an overall record of four wins, four losses and one tie.

In district play the Hounds gained a three way tie for third place with Aransas Pass and Aransas County. All three had identical 3-3-1 records in district play.

Bobby Nance, Lester Rhodes, and Frank Davis represented the Greyhounds on the all district team, but every Hound deserves recognition for his effort.

Recognition should also go to Coach Herb Sigle and Coach Jon Markham along with the entire coaching staff, who did a fine job throughout the season.

COACHES: (l to r) Herb Sigle, Glenn Schoenfeld, Jon Markham, Art McMillan, Gilbert Moehnke.



All District 28-AA Frank Davis, Lester Rhodes, Bobby Nance

Hounds Win Season Opener

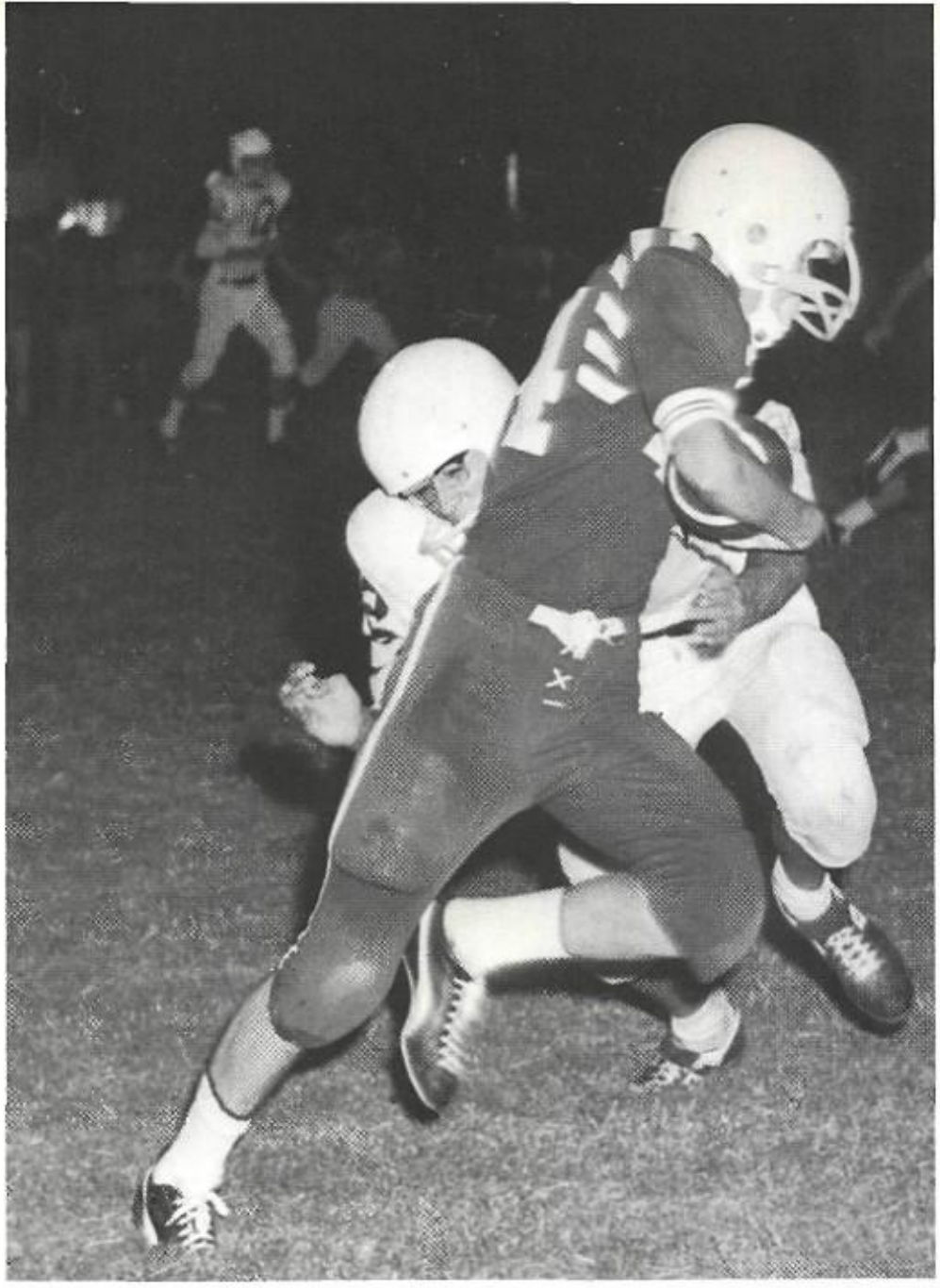
The Taft Greyhounds defeated the Mathis Pirates 19 to 6 in the opening game of the season.

Taft scored in the first quarter on a 20 yard pass from Jimmy Miller to Frank Davis. The point after failed.

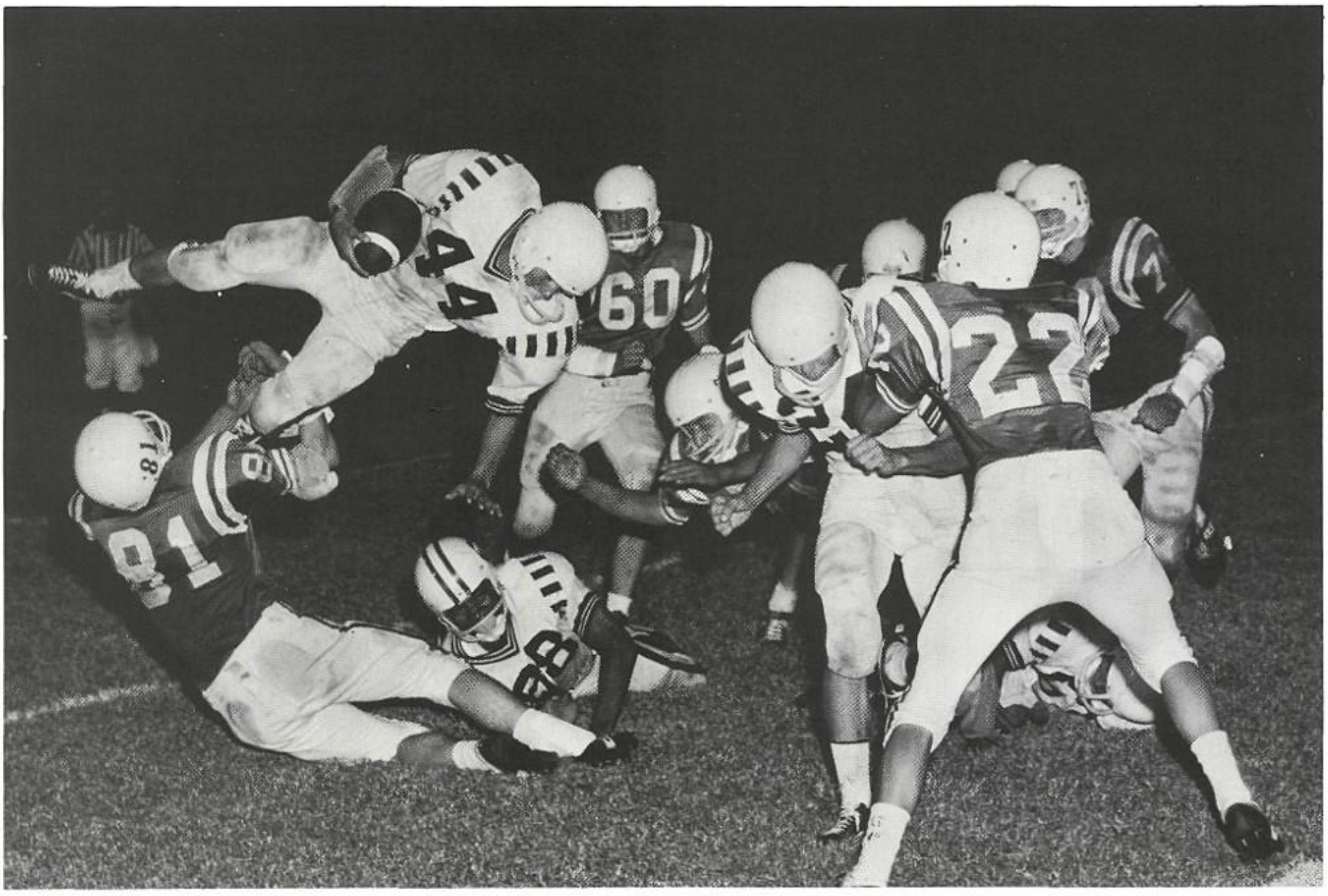
In the fourth quarter the Hounds scored on a one yard plunge by Ray Gabrysch with Lester Rhodes kicking the extra point. The touchdown was set up by a blocked kick on the Mathis 20 yard line.

Taft scored on a 40 yard drive that ended when Julio Garcia took a pitchout from Jimmy Miller and went the last six yards.

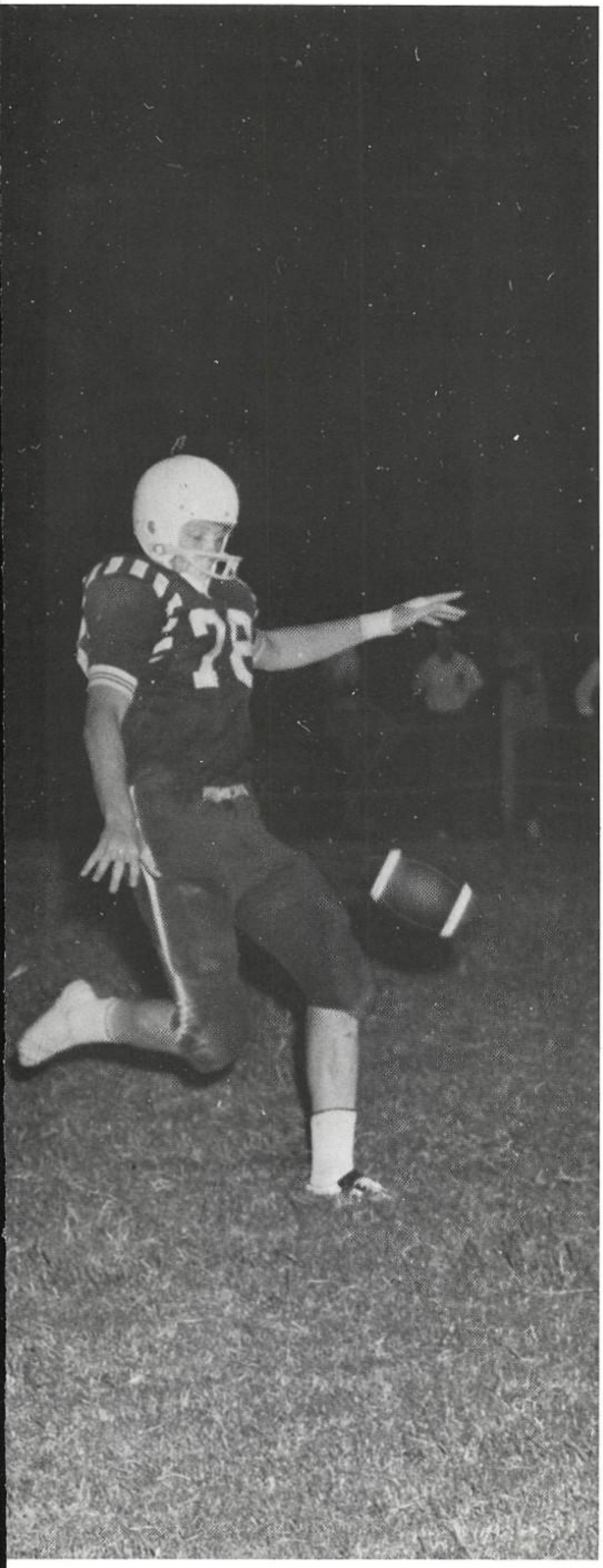
Mathis took the kickoff and Blackie Urquizo went 80 yards to Taft's eight yard line. Three plays later, Al Laochlin went over from the one yard line.



Melvin Ramos eluding a tackler.



Julio Garcia (44) goes high.



Refugio Holds Hounds for 18 to 7 Victory

The Greyhounds lost to the Refugio Bobcats in a tight defensive struggle 18 to 7.

The Greyhounds scored late in the first quarter on a 25 yard pass ending with Gabrysch carrying over from the two with 14 seconds left in the first period. Lester Rhodes kicked the extra point.

Refugio's first score came on a 40 yard run by Eugene Lewis. The pass for the point failed and was intercepted by Curt Davis.

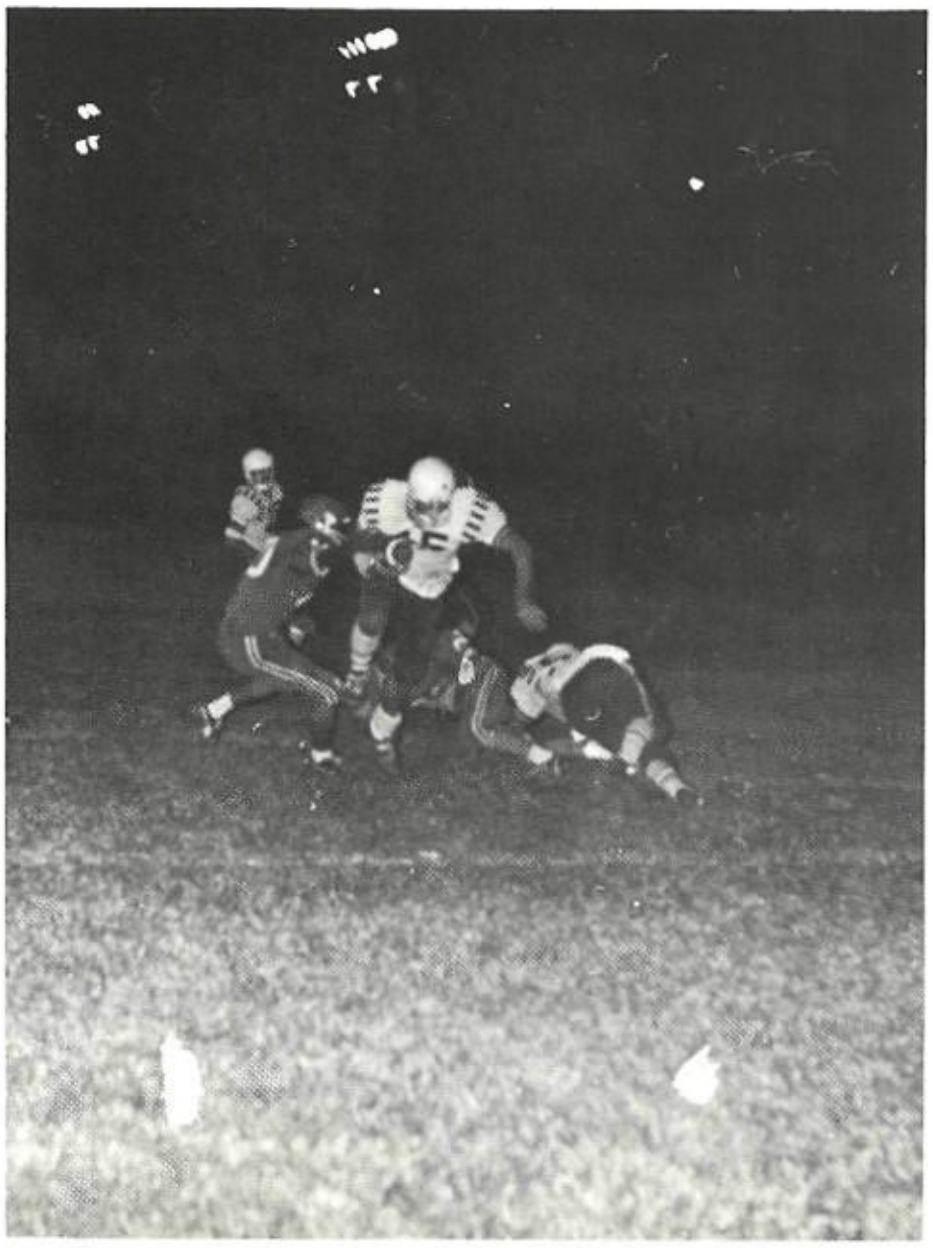
Two minutes later Refugio scored again. The conversion failed.

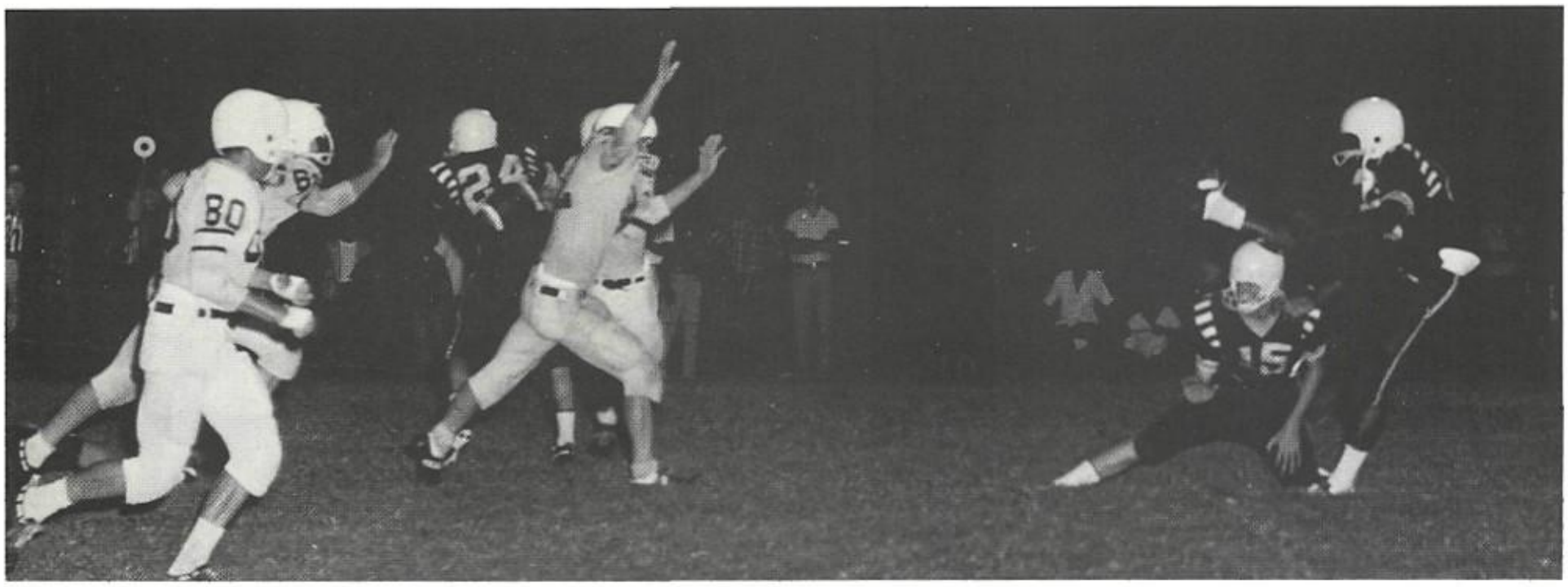
Refugio's final score came when Gipson returned a punt 42 yards for the touchdown. The kick was short.

The Bobcats never threatened in the second half, but they turned in two outstanding goaline stands, making the final score 18 to 7.

Ronnie Hickman punts on fourth down.

Ray Gabrysch breaks a tackle.





Lester Rhodes attempts the extra point, Jimmy Miller holds.

Frank Davis gains good yardage

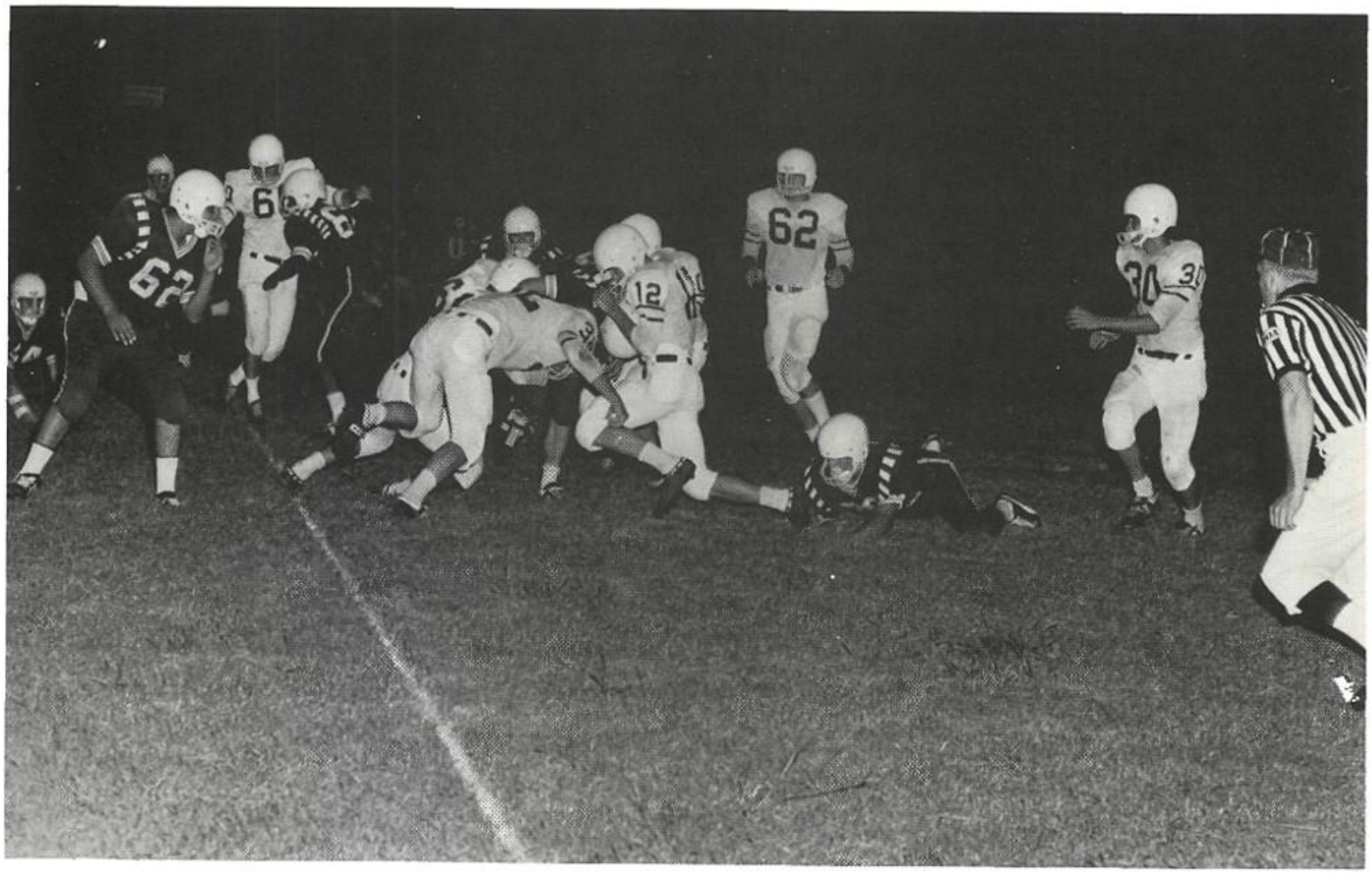
Taft – 6 Aransas – 13

The Greyhounds lost their first district game of the season to the Aransas Pass Panthers 13 to 6.

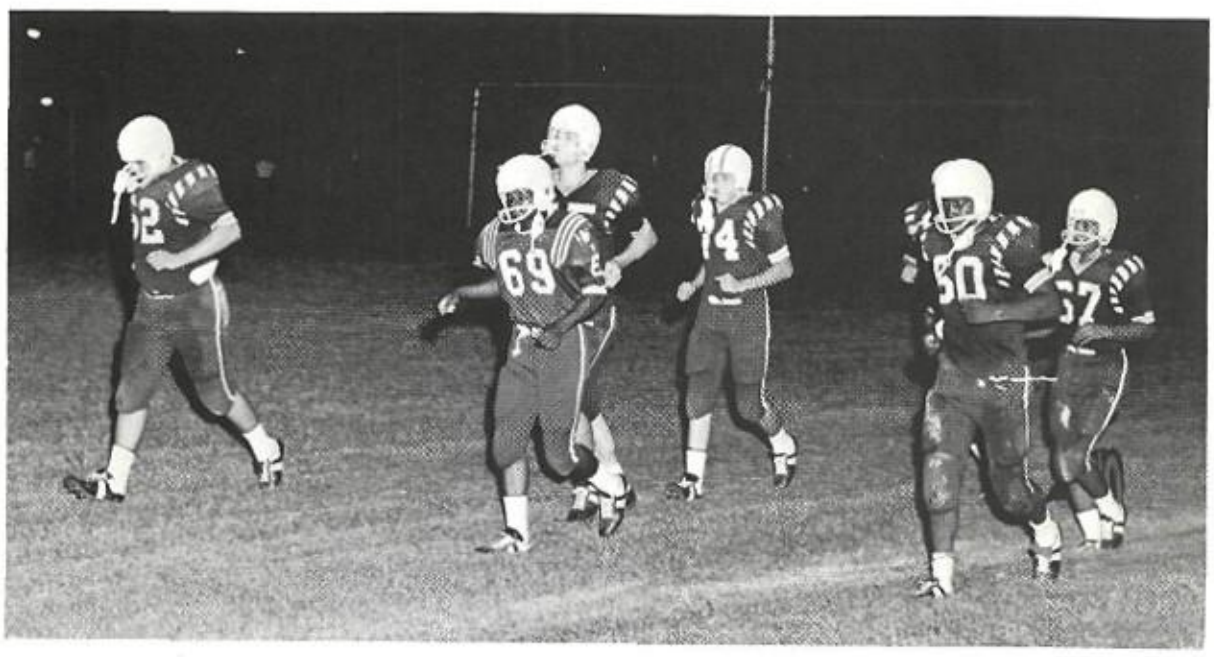
The Greyhounds scored on a 34 yard drive set up by a Panther fumble. The drive ended when Miller went over from the two yard line. The point after failed.

The Panthers first score came when they recovered a fumbled punt on the Hounds six yard line. Three plays later Darce Kullman broke around end and went in for the score. The kick for the conversion was good.

The Panthers final score came in the third quarter on a 40 yard drive set up by a Greyhound fumble. The Panthers moved to the two with Kullman going over for the score. The point after failed.



An unidentified Hound being mobbed by the defense.



Hounds and Pirates Tie 0-0

A tough defensive struggle ended between the Raft Greyhounds and the Rockport Pirates in a 0-0 tie. Neither team was able to climax a scoring drive. The closest either team came to scoring was when Larry Ewald returned a punt 76 yards for a supposed touchdown, but a clipping penalty called it back.

Hounds Defeat Calallen 33 to 7

The Hounds won their first district game of the season by defeating the Calallen Wildcats 33 to 7.

The Hounds scored on a three yard plunge by Frank Davis in the first quarter. The conversion failed.

Early in the second quarter Larry Ewald went over from the two for Taft's second score of the night. The conversion failed. Calallen was unable to climax a drive in the remainder of the first half.

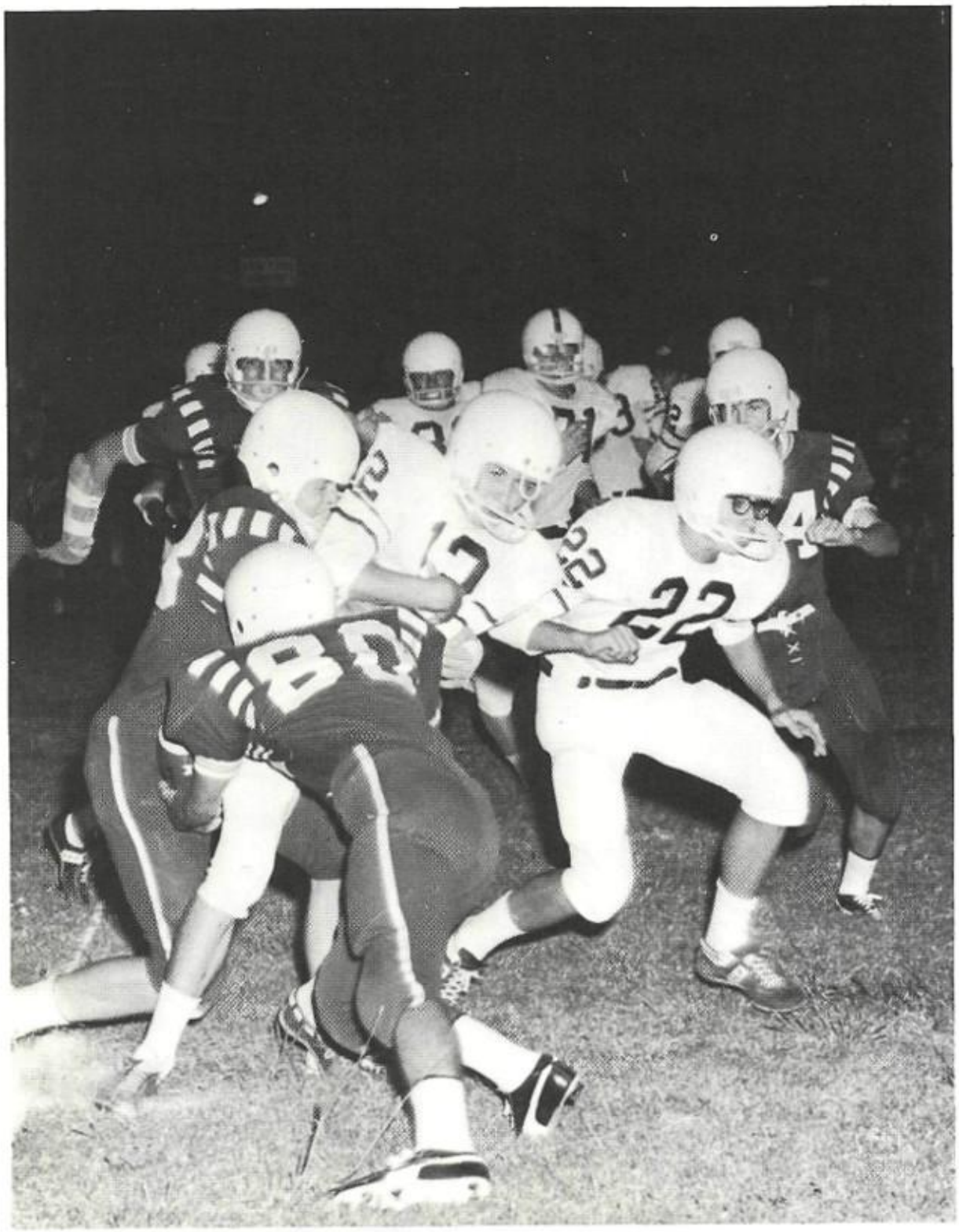
Ray Gabrysch broke 22 yards in the third quarter for another score. Lester Rhodes kicked the extra point giving the Hounds a 19-0 lead.

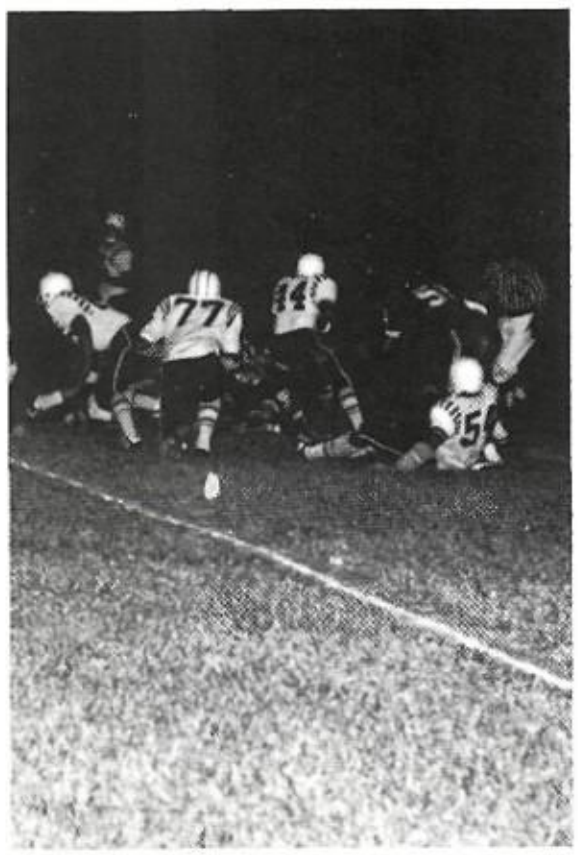
The Wildcats came back to score on a twenty-seven yard pass play. Gary Pitman kicked the extra point.

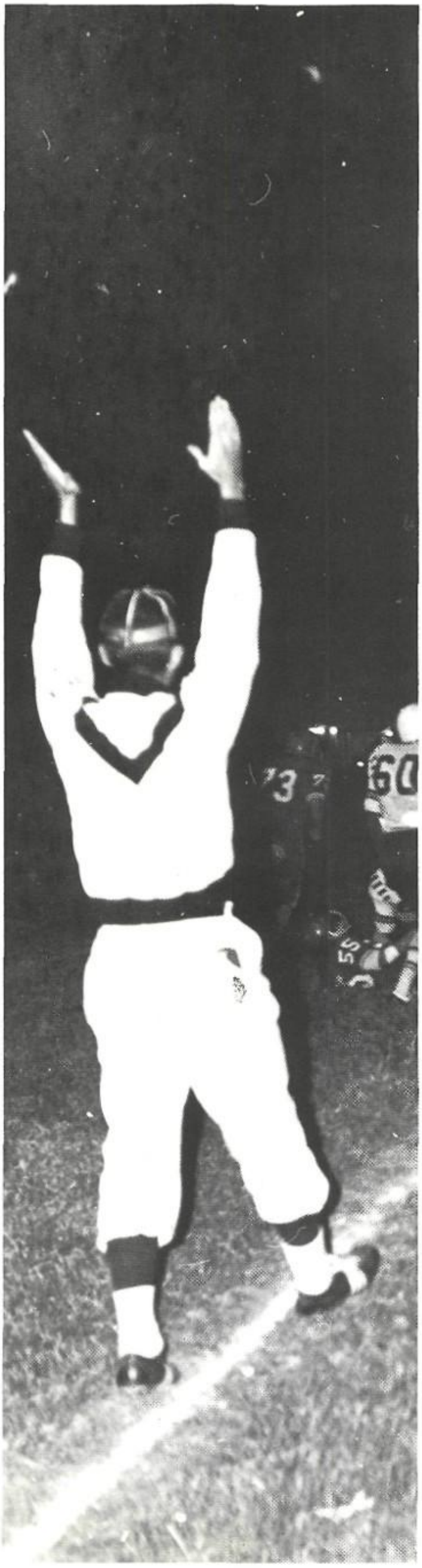
Frank Davis intercepted a Wildcat pass on the Wildcat 11 yard line. On the next play Julio Garcia broke through for the score.

Tafts final score came with Larry Ewald going in from the 6 yard line. Ewald passed to Ronnie Homann for the two points to give Taft a 33 to 7 win.

Ernest Rendon (80) and an unidentified Hound down the ball carrier







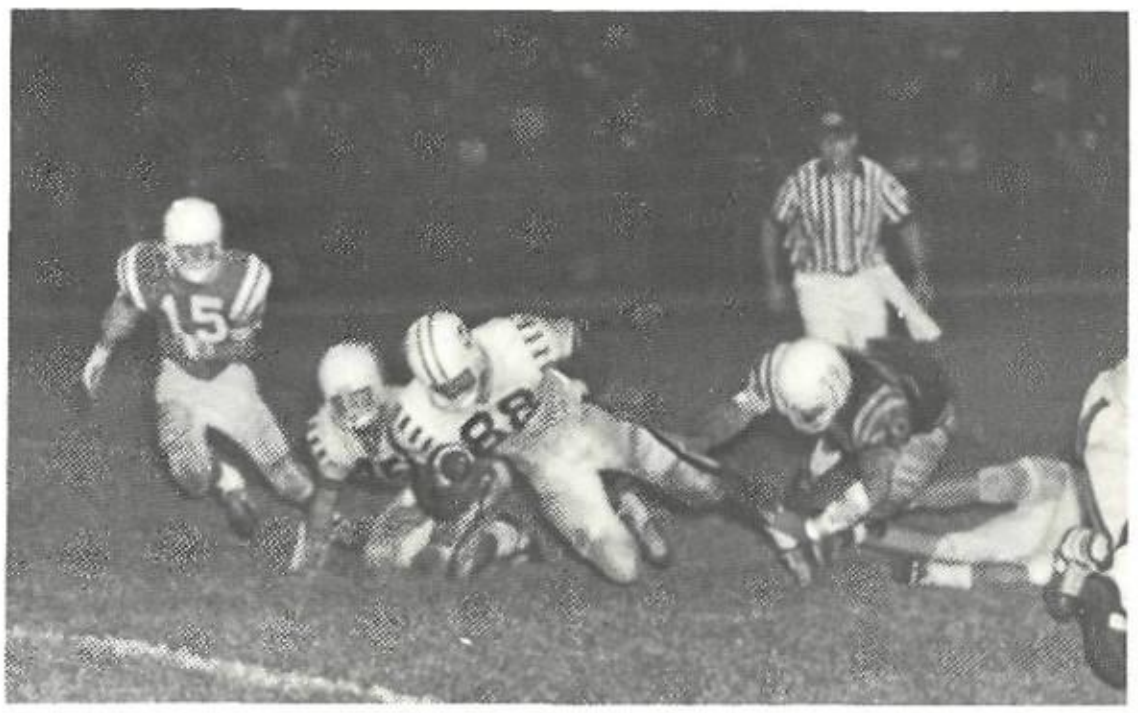
G-P Downs Hounds

It was the kick of Albert Fixmer, that spelled the big difference on the score when the G.P. Wildcats defeated the Taft Greyhounds.

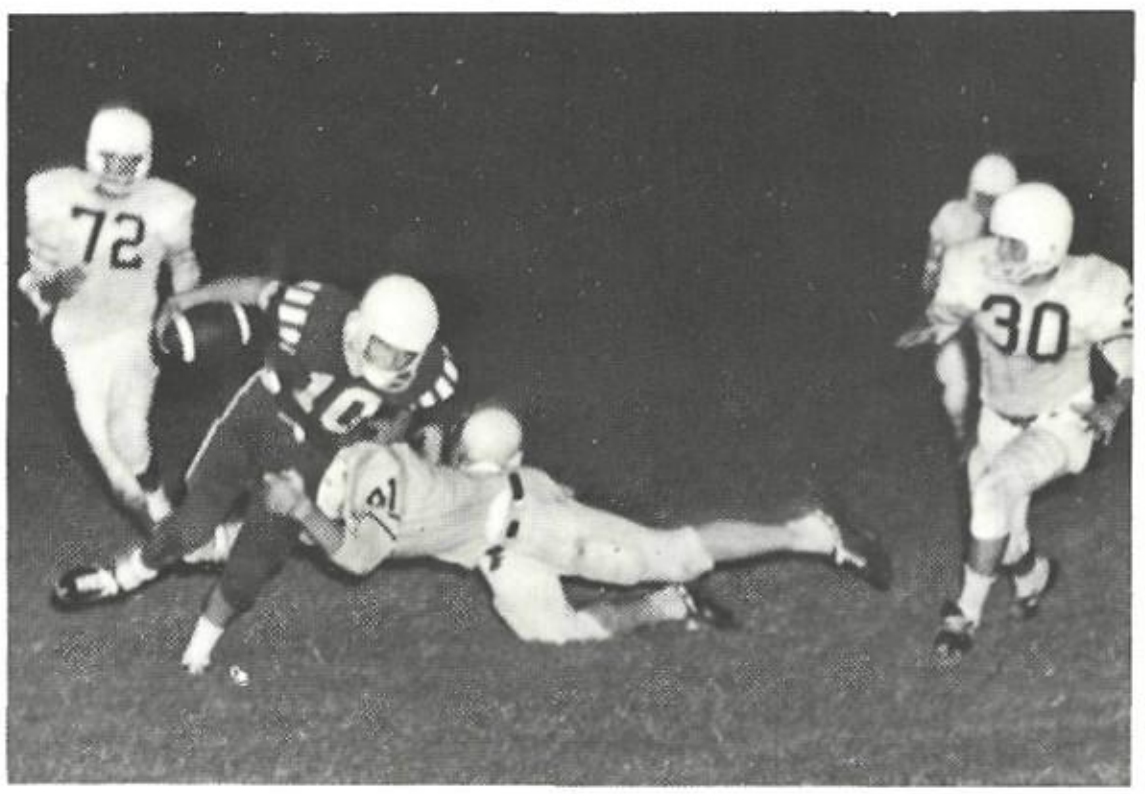
In the first quarter Julio Garcia carried the ball from the 1-yard line for a score. The conversion failed.

Then Ernest Rendon managed to break in the clear for the last Greyhound score. Lester Rhodes kicked the extra point.

The Wildcats came back and managed to score over Taft, 16-13.

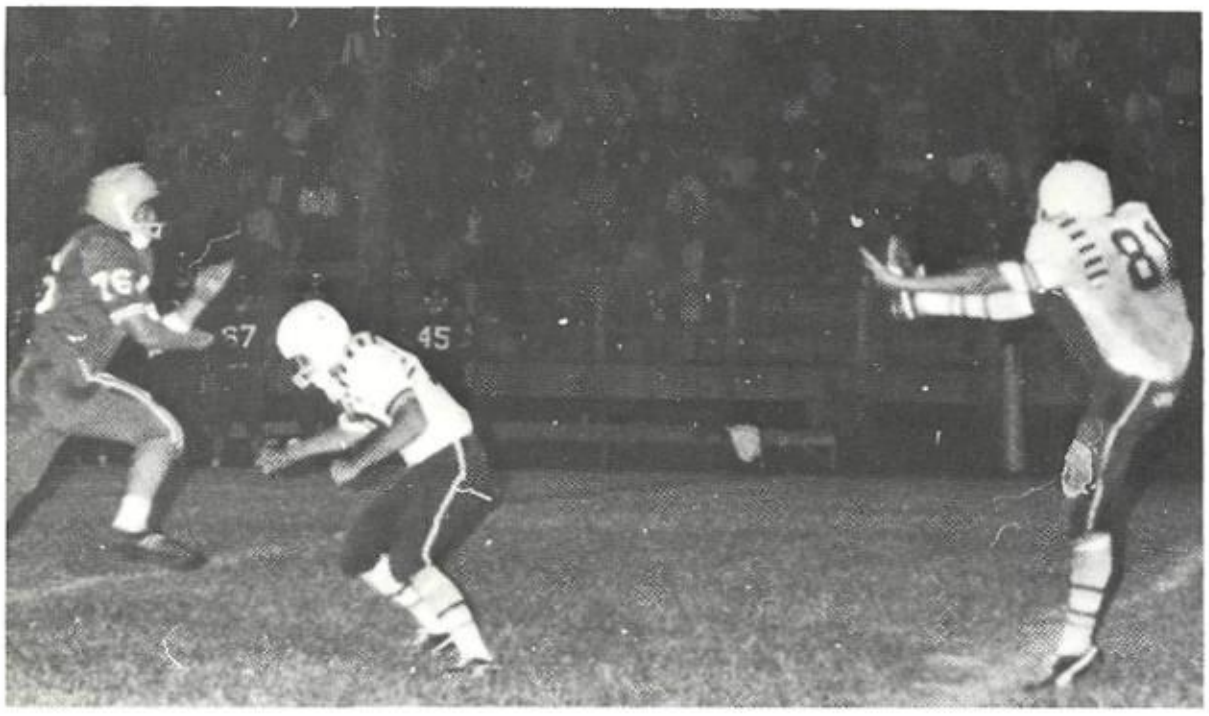


Frank Davis (88) plunging for a touchdown.



Larry Ewald (10) turning the corner.

Ernest Rendon (80) being mobbed by tacklers.



Jimmy Miller blocking for a Pullin punt.

Hounds Wallop T-M 27-7

A consistant offense pushed the way to enable the Hounds to defeat the Tuloso-Midway Warriors 27 to 7.

The Hounds first score came on a 71 yard drive. On the second play from scrimmage Julio Garcia broke over left tackle and proceeded to go 60 yards for a touchdown. The conversion try failed.

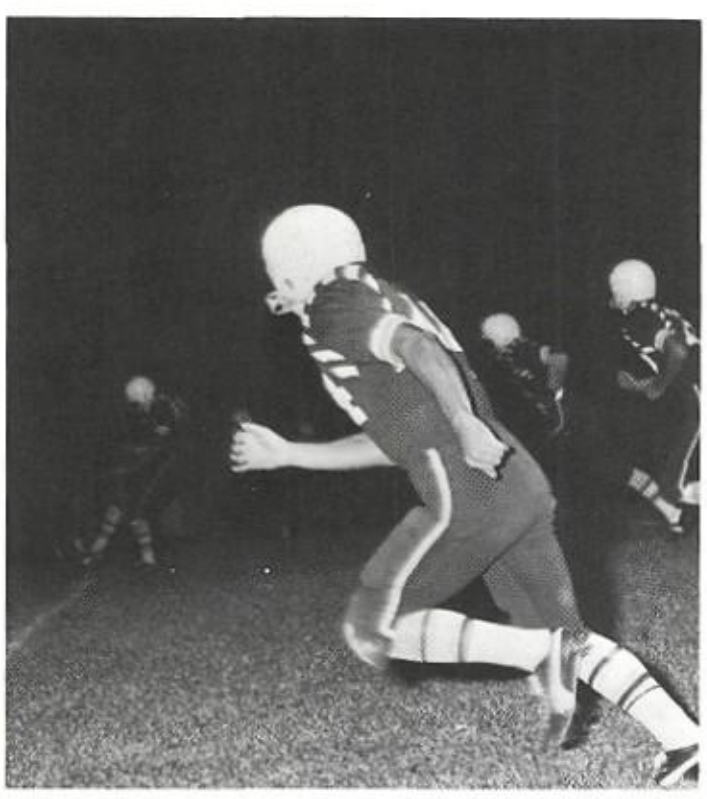
The Hounds scored again on a four yard run by Jimmy Miller. Lester Rhodes kicked the conversion.

A pass from tailback Larry Ewald to quarterback Jimmy Miller, late in the second quarter, gave the Greyhounds their third touchdown of the night. Steve Pullin kicked the extra point to give the Greyhounds a 20 to 0 lead at half time.

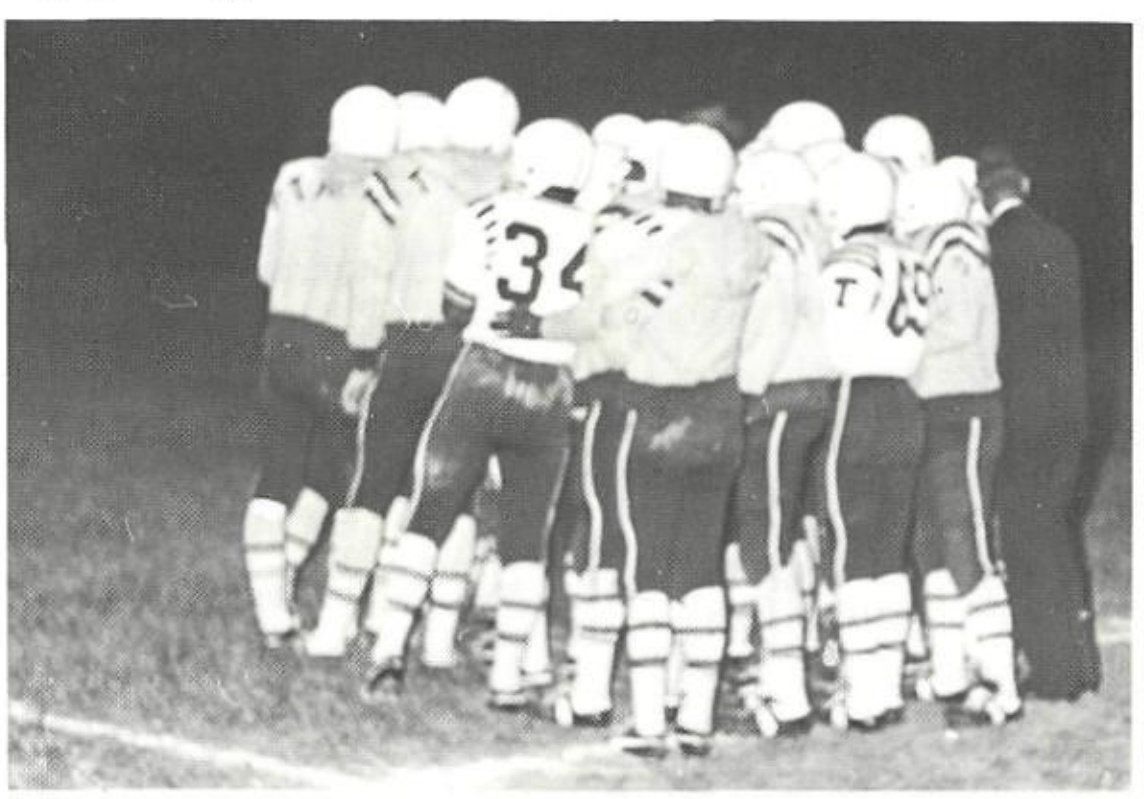
The Warriors only score came on a 69 yard drive early in the third quarter. The conversion failed.

The Hounds final score came late in the fourth quarter on a pass from Jimmy Miller to Steve Pullin. Pullin kicked the extra point to make the final score 27 to 7.

Julio Garcia (44) running for a touchdown.



A Hound charges downfield.



The team in a huddle before the game starts.

Hounds Drop Ingleside 26 to 6

A good running game enable the Taft Greyhounds to defeat the Ingleside Mustangs 26 to 6.

The Hounds came early in the first quarter. On the Hounds' first play from scrimmage Ray Gabrysch broke for twenty yards to the fifty yard line. The Hounds continued to drive the ball on the ground. Julio Garcia went over from the five for the score.

The Hounds scored again on a 30 yard drive in the first quarter with Frank Davis taking the ball over for the score. The pass for the conversion failed.

Ingleside's only score of the ballgame came early in the second quarter. The score came with Kucera going in from the three. The conversion failed.

Taft scored again late in the half on a 35 yard drive climaxed with Frank Davis going in from the three. Davis scored the two point conversion to give the Hounds a 20 to 6 lead at half time.

The Hounds only score in the second half came on a 57 yard drive. The score came when Ray Gabrysch scored on the ninth play of the drive. The conversion failed.

Bishop Beats Hounds . . .

Take District Crown

The Bishop Badgers put together a strong offense and made the most of the breaks to defeat the Greyhounds 34-6.

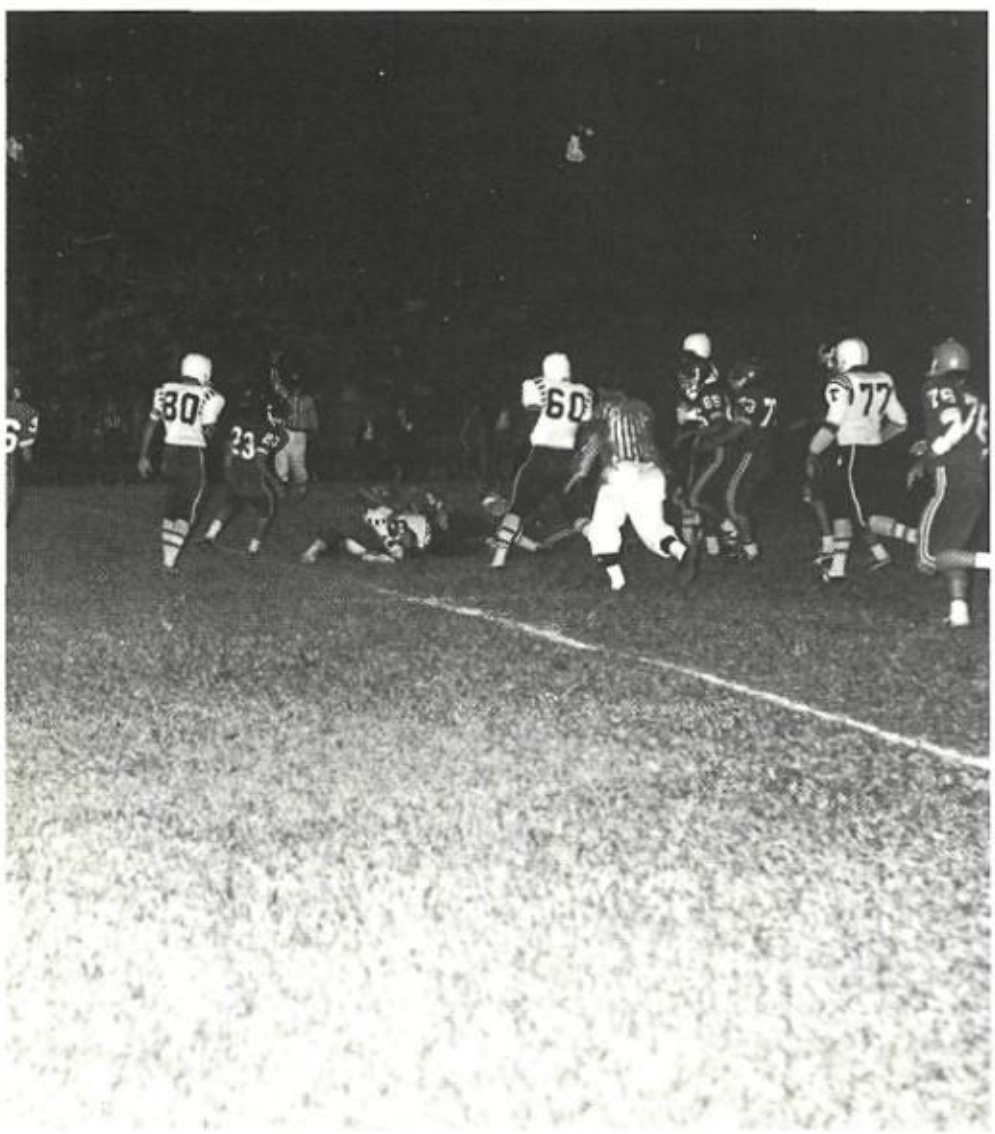
The Badgers scored on drives of 50 yards and 55 yards in the first quarter. With Binion and Piquet going in for the scores.

The Hounds score came in the second quarter at a 65 yard pass play from Jimmy Miller to Steve Pullin. The kick for the conversion failed.

The Badgers scored twice in the second quarter on a two yard run and a 43 yard pass, leaving them with a 27-6 lead at half time.

The Badgers managed only one score in the last quarter to give them a 34-6 win over Taft.

Action in the middle of the field.



Bishop Spoils Homecoming

Homecoming Queen, Hildi Brattaaker.

The football season came to close as the Greyhounds celebrated Homecoming. The rival team was the Bishop Badgers, champions of District 28 AA.

The pregame festivities were highlighted by the selection of Homecoming Queen. The nominees for this year's queen were Debie Marsh, Cheryl Shelburne, Cheryl Phillips, Nancy Bray, Celeste Duprie, and Hildi Brattaaker.

Hildi was elected queen by the football players.

The Greyhounds lost the game to the Badgers, but the 1967 Homecoming will live in the hearts of many. To the senior players it was their last High School football game, to Hildi, a great honor, and to all a night to remember, a night for memories.

NOMINEES: Celeste Duprie, Cheryl Phillips, Cheryl Shelburne, Debie Marsh, Queen Hildi, Nancy Bray.

Twirlers

MISSY HARDY

JOYCE PIESTER

BRENDA EWALD

LINDA KRETZMEIER

Drum Major

CHERYL PHILLIPS

Cheerleaders

CELESTE DUPRIE

MARY JANE INGRAM RAKELA RODRIQUIZ

NANCY BRAY

JOYCE ROTZLER CYNTHIA GLASSON

BACK ROW: Coach Markham, J. Mayo, B. Nance, F. Davis, S. Pullin, Coach Stegall. FRONT ROW: R. Fabrysch, L. Rhodes, B. West, R. Homann, D. Beyer, Mgr. K. Hutto.

Greyhounds Complete Fine Season

The Greyhound Basketball team, completed a fine season. They won first place in two tournaments, and second place in one tournament. In district play the Greyhounds compiled a record of 13 wins and 1 loss, to win the district championship. In bi-district play the Hounds were defeated by Poth, 37 - 34, lacking the services of starter Johnny Mayo.

To many people, the Greyhounds were considered unexperienced at the beginning of the season, with only two returning seniors, yet as the season progressed the underclassmen served the Hounds well, in acquiring a season record of 27 wins and 6 losses.

Hounds Repeat as Champions . . .

Refugio and Taft Tourney and District

TAFT	OPPONENTS	
59	San Diego	53
53	Sinton	37
57	Refugio	48
	REFUGIO TOURNEY	
57	Woodsboro	29
51	Sinton	33
49	Refugio	43
	TAFT TOURNEY	
49	Ingleside	28
51	Benavides	38
65	Sinton	31
	SINTON TOURNEY	
22	San Diego	18
58	Flour Bluff	52
53	Refugio	30
31	Sinton	33
43	Refugio	48
73	Zapata	46
41	Premont	52
50	Premont	56
70	Sinton	46

TAFT	OPPONENTS	
	DISTRICT	
54	Gregory Portland	45
67	Aransas Pass	37
50	Tuloso Midway	55
86	Calallen	38
70	Rockport	45
67	Ingleside	41
54	Bishop	44
63	Gregory-Portland	50
65	Aransas Pass	46
55	Tuloso Midway	38
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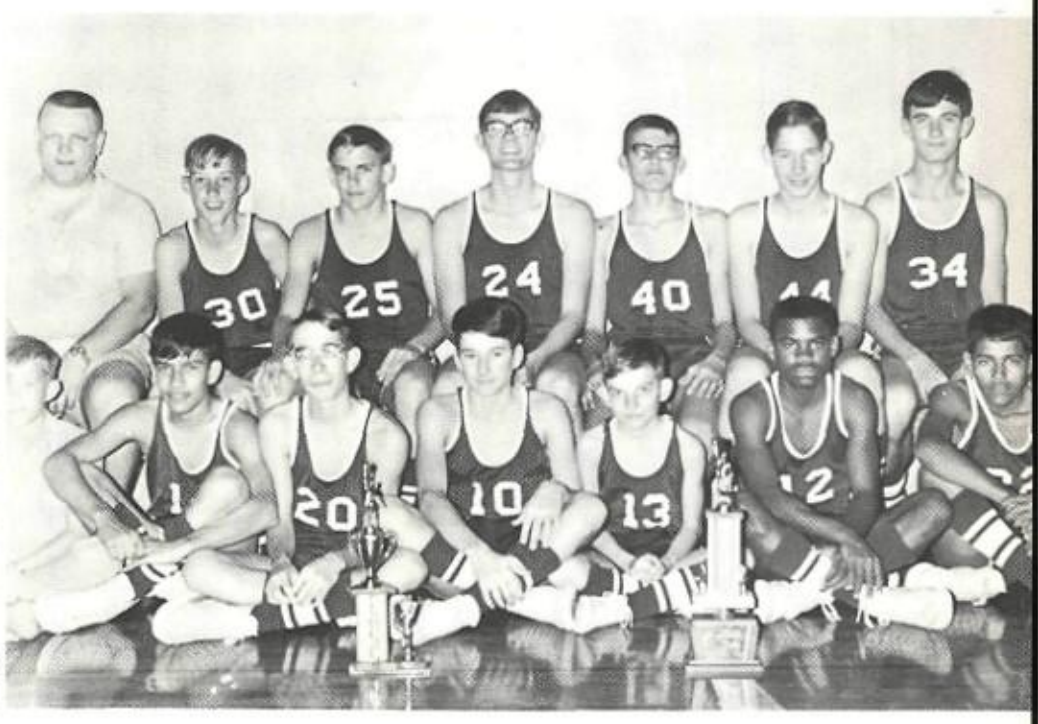
34	Poth	37

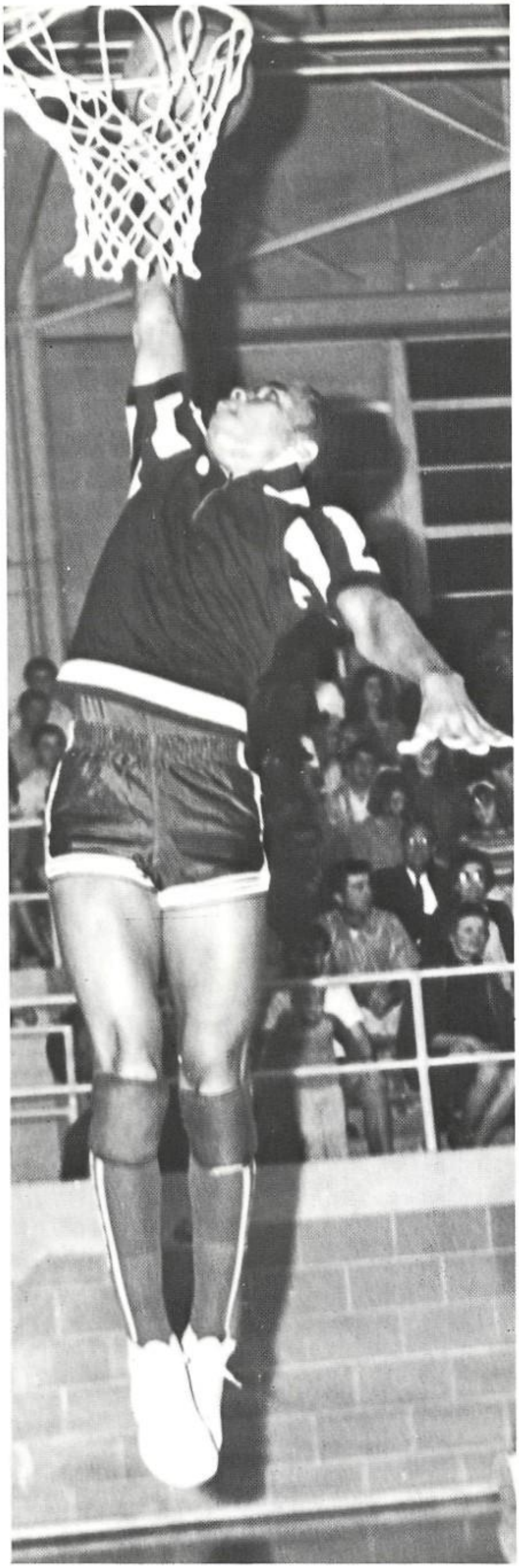
The Greyhound B-team placed third in district play with a record of 9 wins and 5 losses. Their season record was 18 wins and 7 losses.

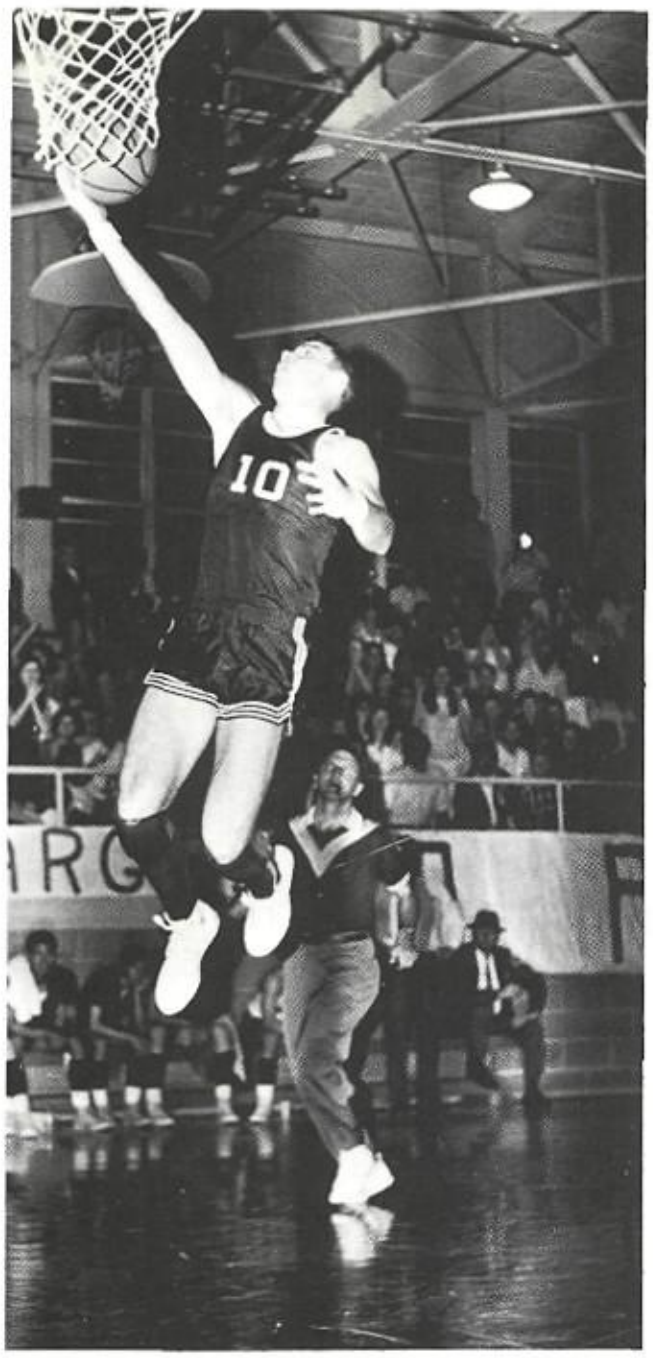


The ninth-grade Pups posted a season record of 18 wins and 8 losses. In district play they placed second, with a record of 11 wins and 3 losses.

Poth Upsets Greyhounds to Win Bi-District, 37-34

Tension runs high before the game.





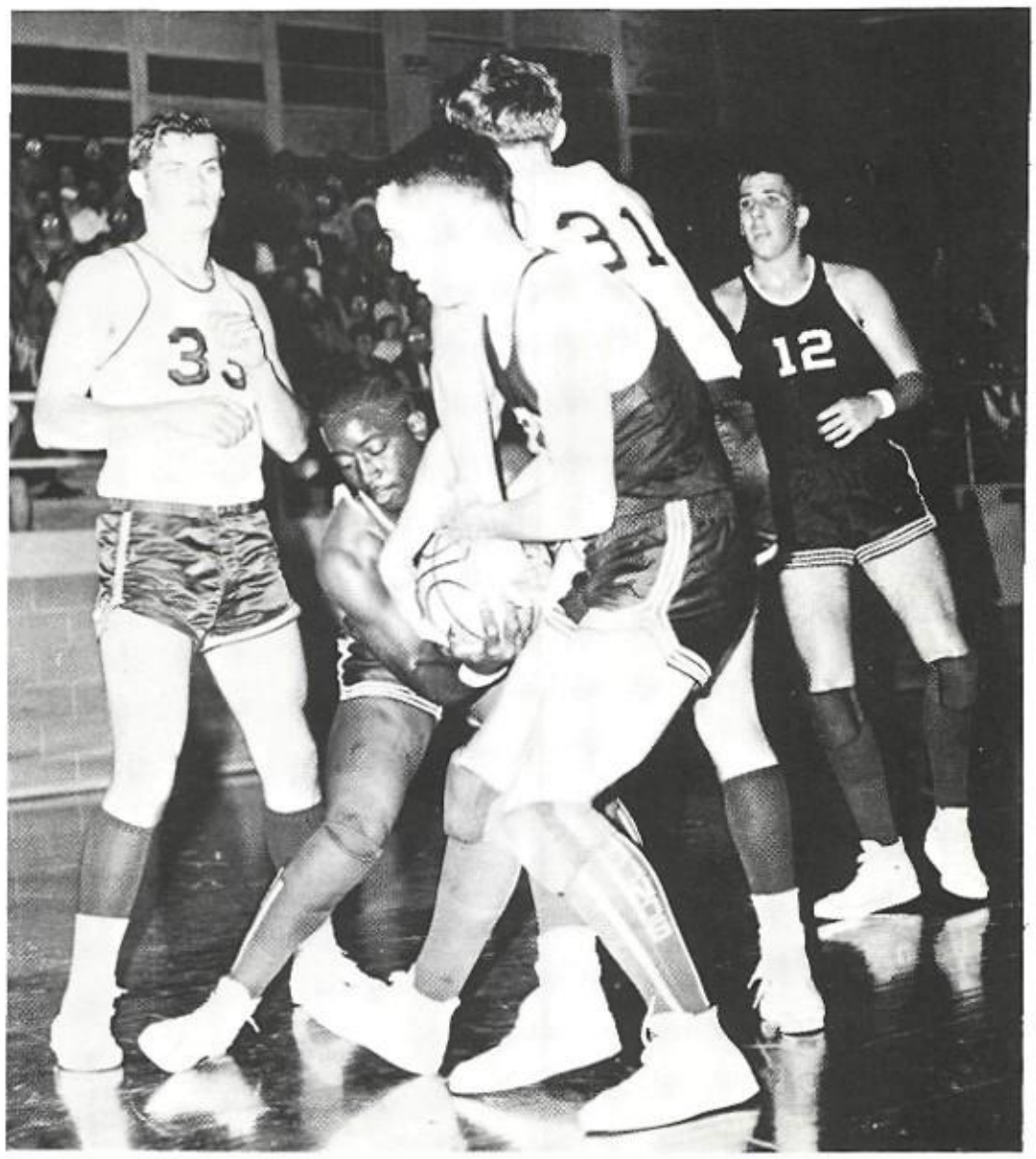
Tommy Repka hit a short jump shot with 10 seconds left in the game to break a tie and send Poth to a 31-34 upset victory over the Greyhounds in a class 2A bi-district game before a capacity crowd in Refugio High School Gym.

Poth led almost throughout, but on several occasions the Greyhounds rallied to take the lead. Poth held a halftime lead of 19-15, but the Greyhounds regained the lead 26-25 late in the third quarter. The quarter ended in a 26-26 deadlock.

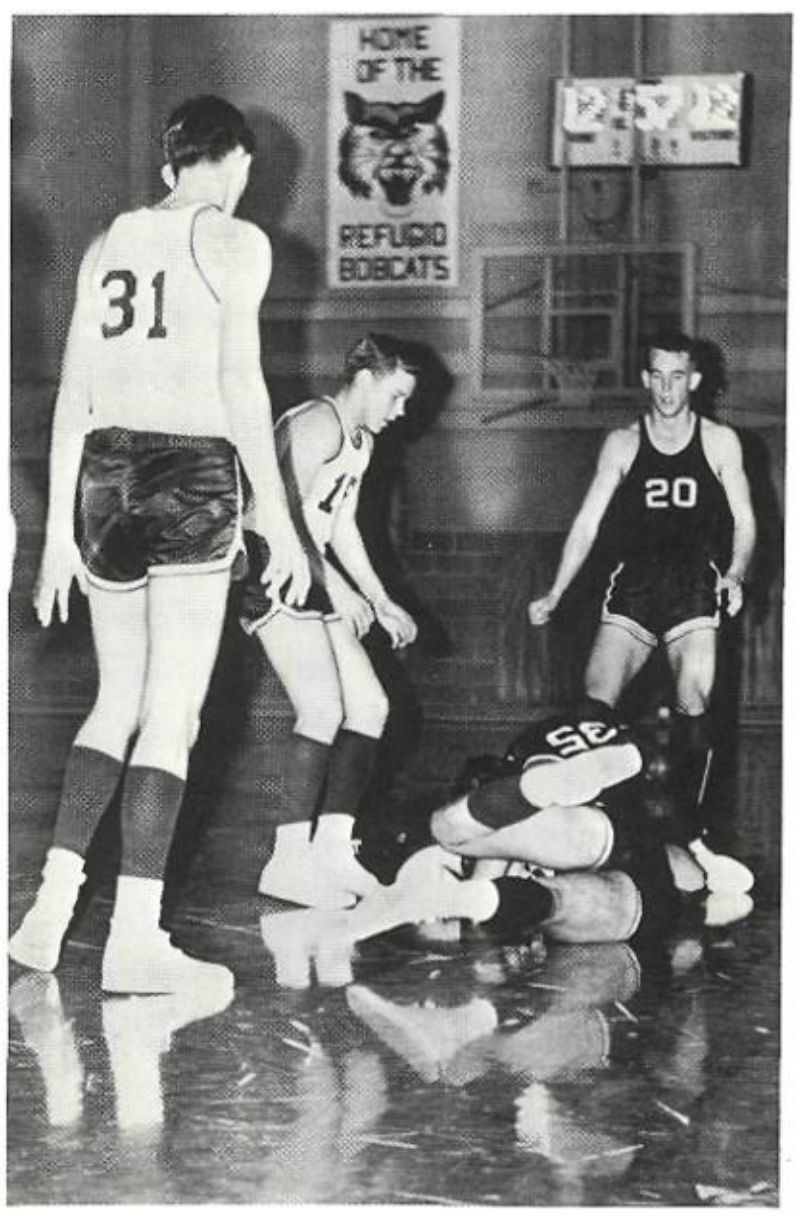
Poth took the lead early in the fourth quarter, but the Greyhounds rallied to take the lead 34-32 with 2:15 left in the game. The Pirates played for one shot and Tommy Repka hit a goal with 10 seconds left and the score 34 all. The shot was good and a foul in final seconds enabled the Pirates to win the Game 37-34.

The Greyhounds were without the services of starter Johnny Mayo, who was absent due to surgery.

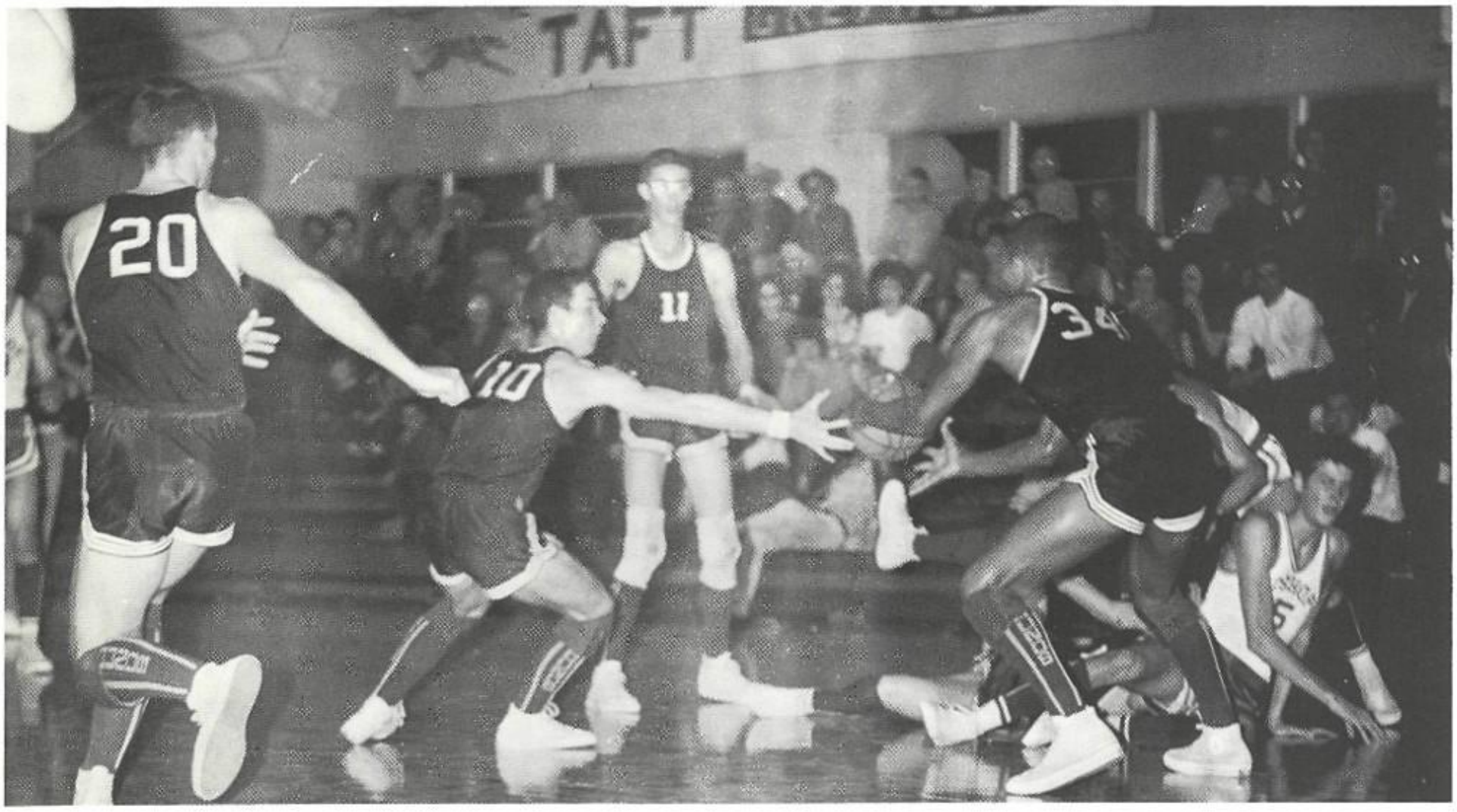
Jimmy Miller (10) goes in for a layup.



Steve Pullin and Lester Rhodes tie the ball.



Lester Rhodes scrambles for the ball.



Frank Davis (34) takes possession of the ball.

Taft Wins Kiwanis Tournament

The Taft Greyhounds swept through the Kiwanis Tournament defeating Sinton 65 to 31.

In the opening rounds of play Taft defeated Ingleside 49 to 28, with Johnny Mayo scoring 12 points to lead the Hounds.

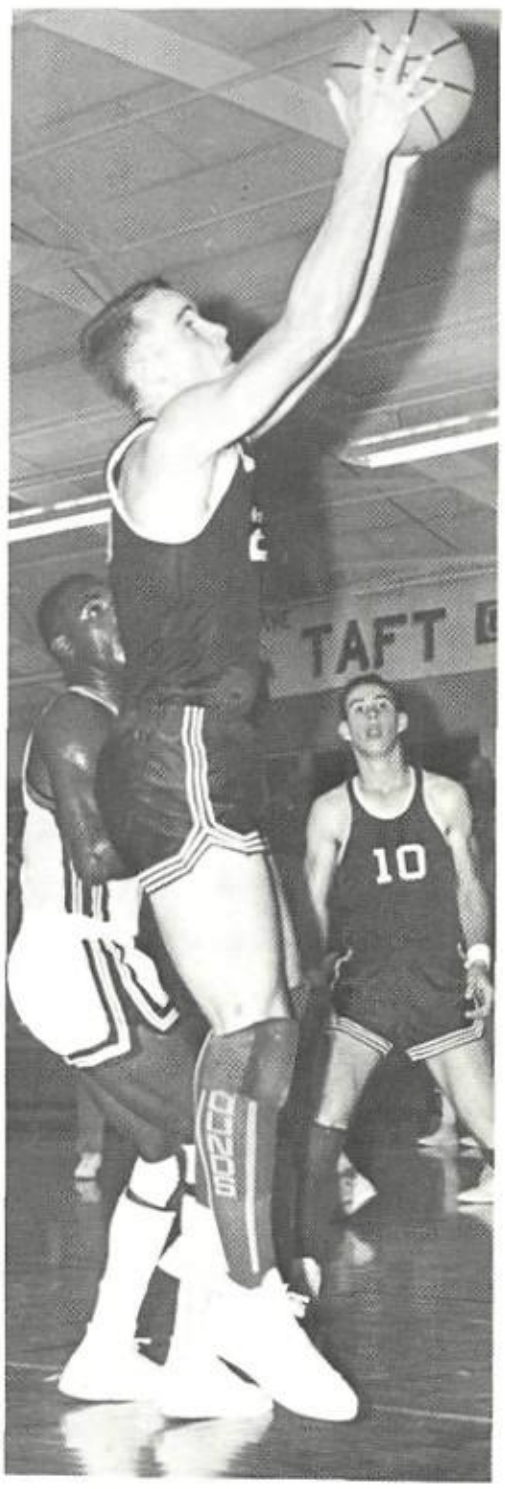
In the second round of championship play Taft defeated Benavides 51 to 38. Steve Pullin hit for 13 points for high point honors.

Jimmy Miller hit 18 points to lead the Hounds to victory in the championship game with Sinton.

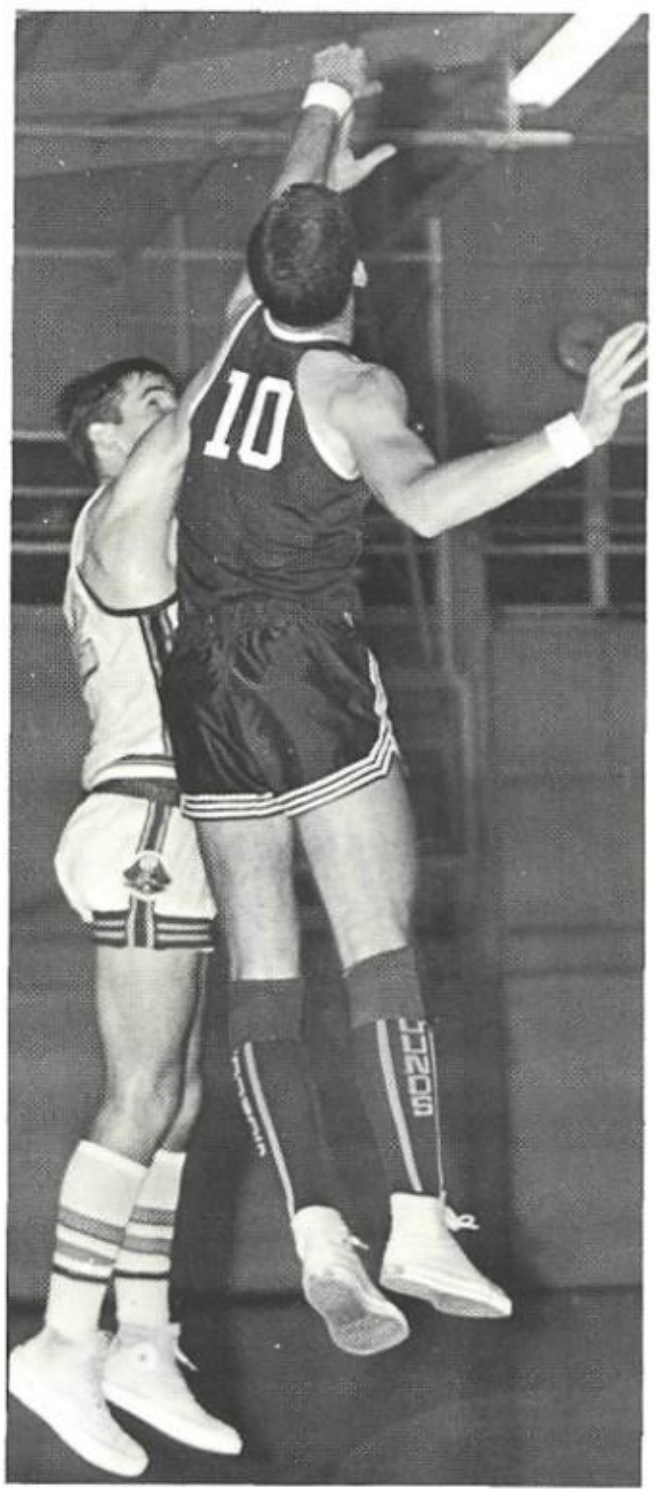
Those from Taft chosen for the all tournament team were Steve Pullin, Jimmy Miller, and Frank Davis.

Frank Davis gets the tip.

Steve Pullin rebounds for Taft.



Jimmy Miller blocks a jump shot.



Sinton Tournament

Sinton slipped past defending champion Taft, 33-31, to win the championship of the annual Sinton Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Jerry Wilson paced Sinton with 10 points, while high-scoring honors went to Frank Davis, who accounted for 12 points for the Greyhounds.

Named to the all tournament team from Taft was Frank Davis.

Greyhounds Defeat Mustangs to Capture District Title

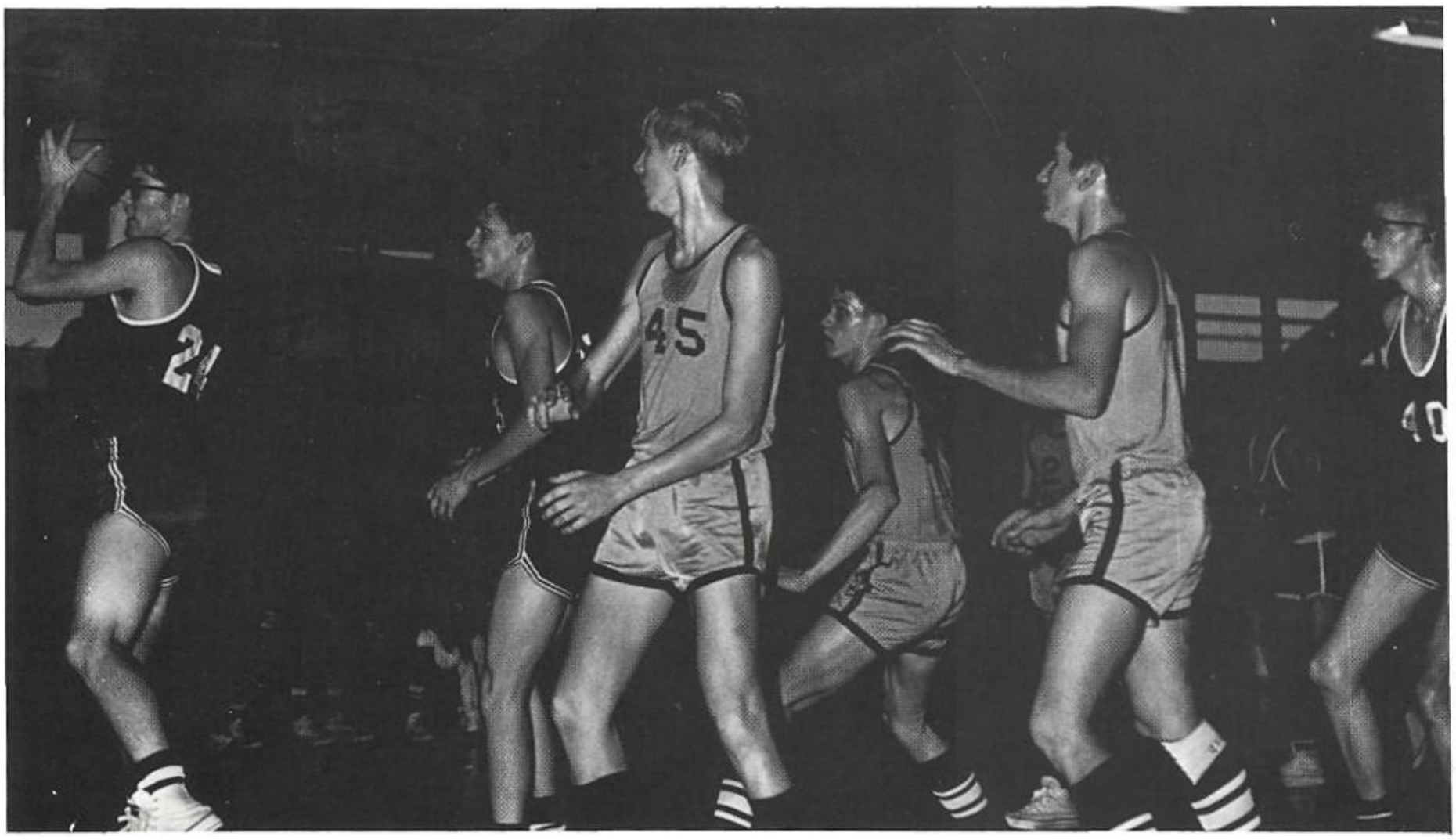
Ingleside

The Taft Greyhounds clinched the district 28-2A championship here Tuesday night with a smashing 58-33 victory over Ingleside.

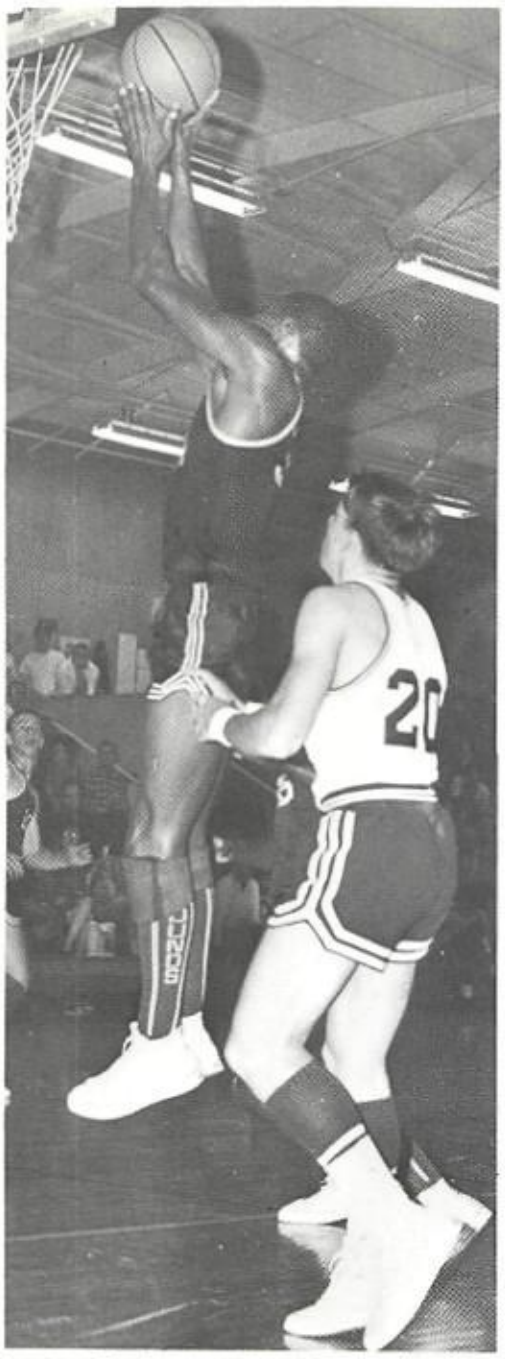
Jimmy Miller led the Taft attack with 16 points, followed by Frank Davis with 12, and Steve Pullin with 11 points.

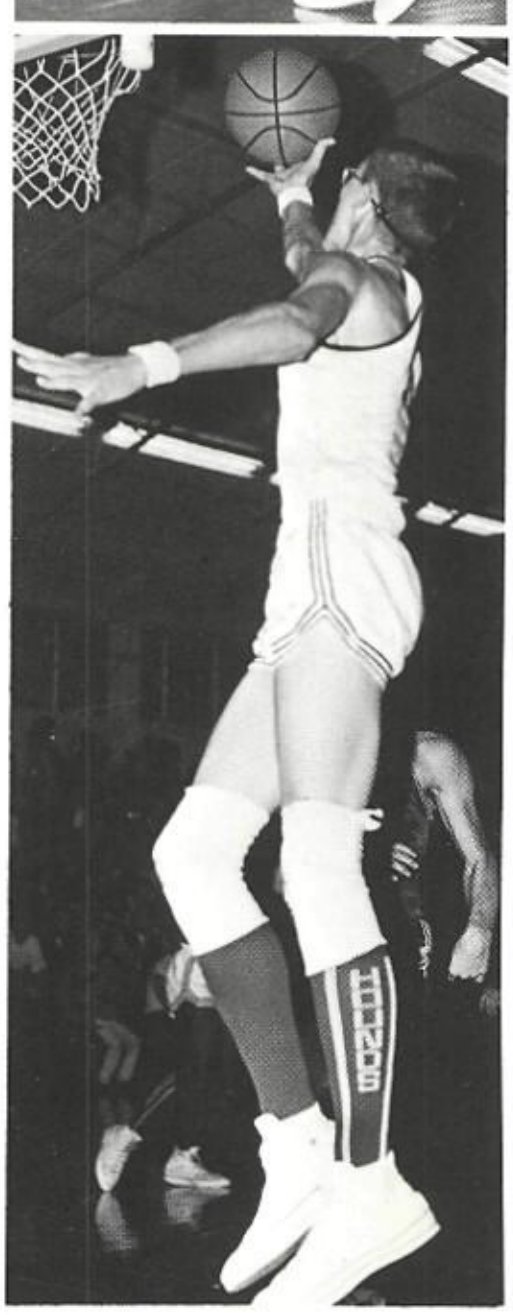
Mike Rubalcaba led Ingleside with 14 points.

Ray Gabrysch (30) awaits the ball



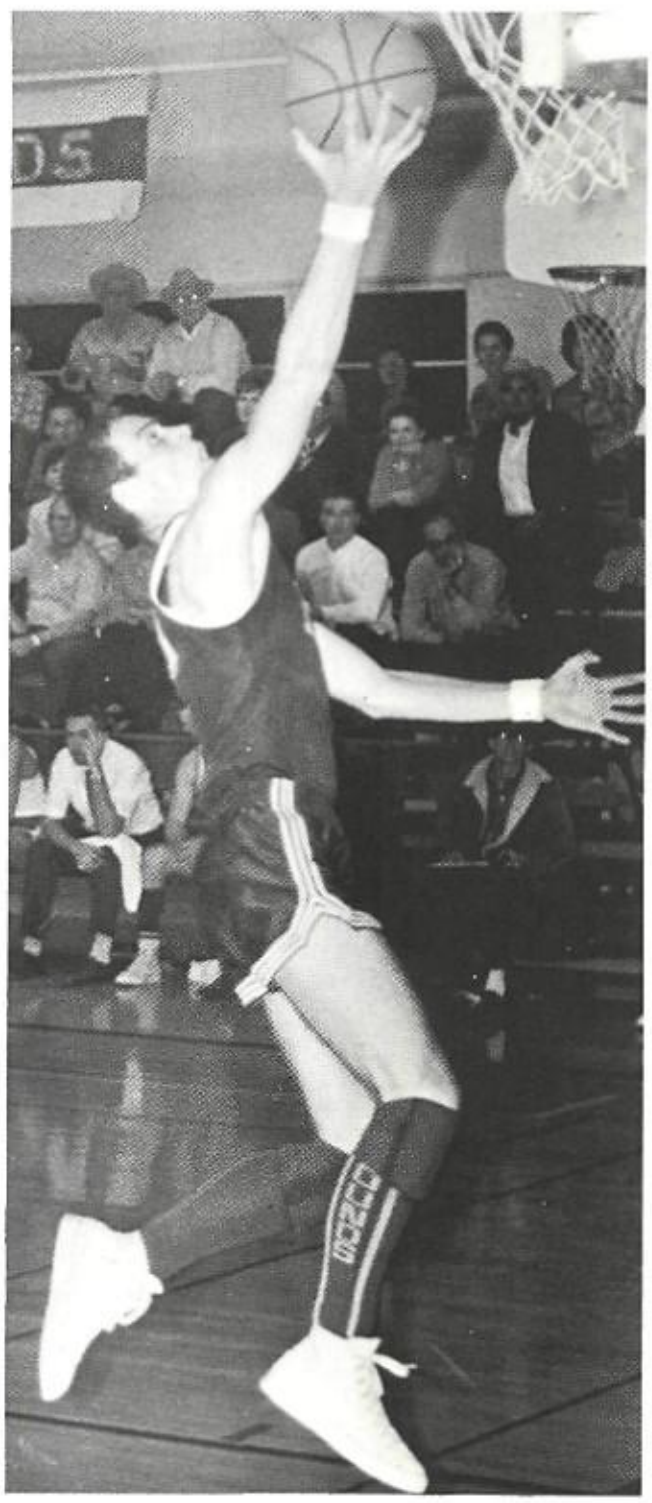
Bill Flinn (24) grabs a rebound in a Freshman Game.



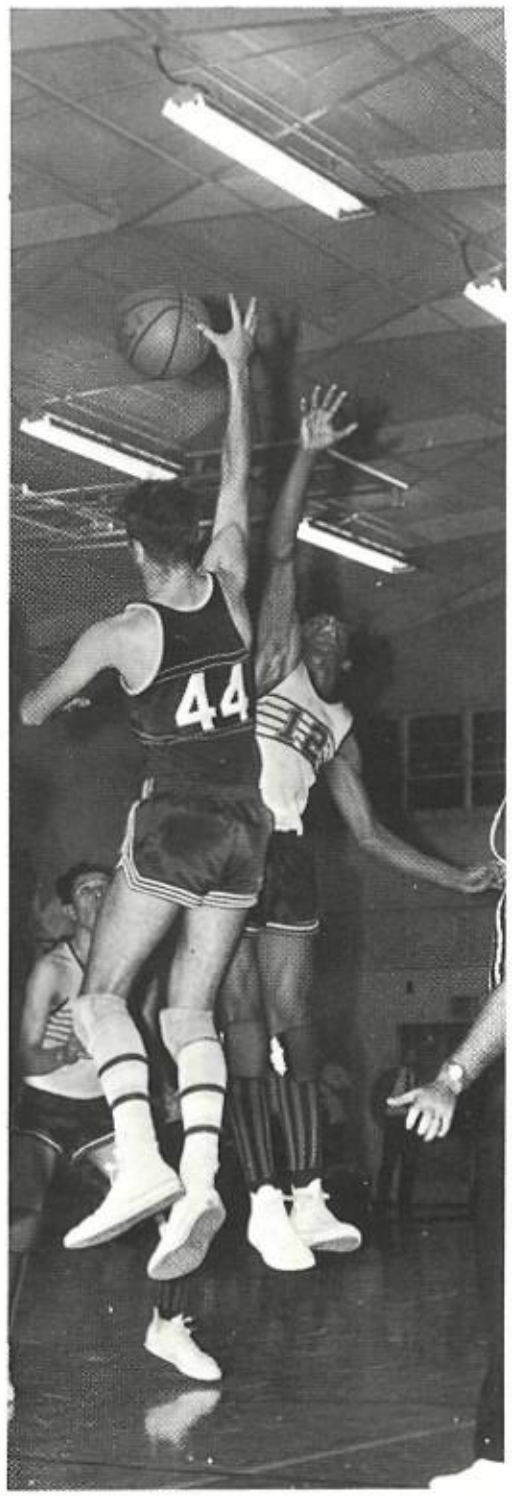


Frank Davis scores on a jump shot.

Ronnie Hickman (52) tries for a rebound.

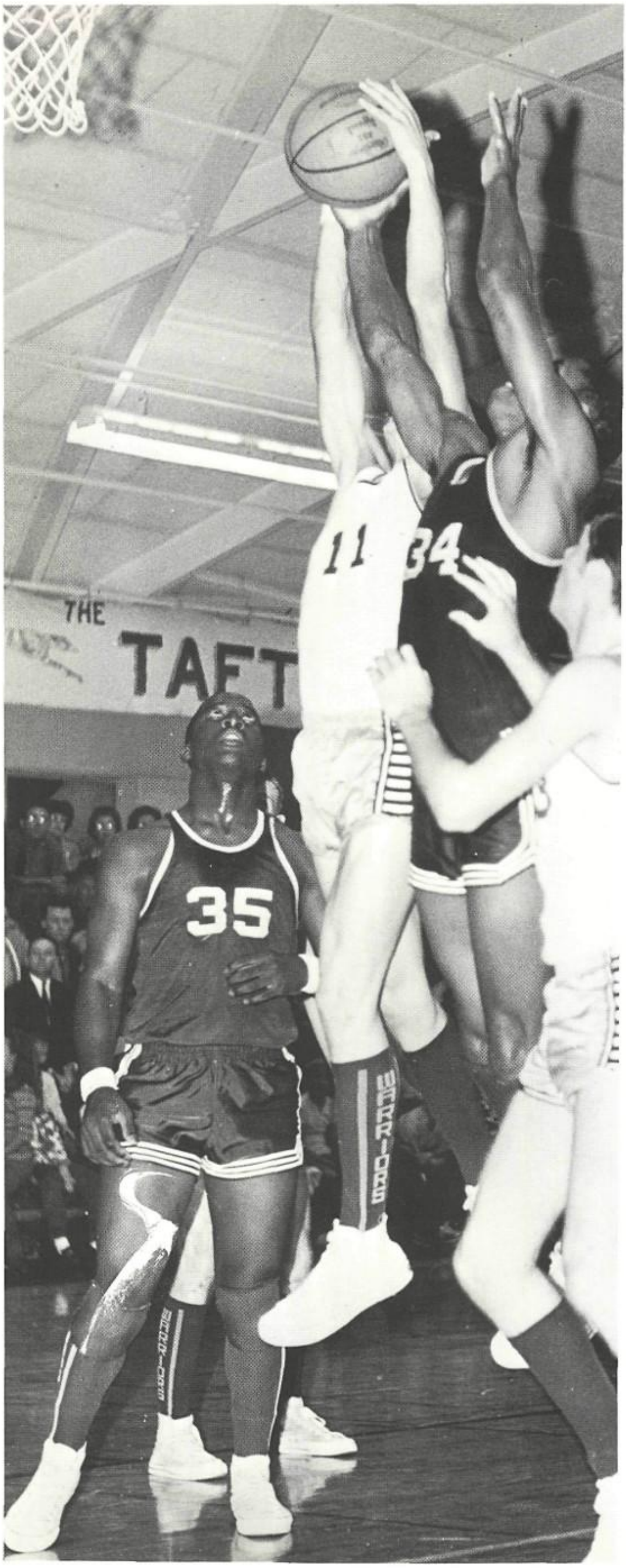


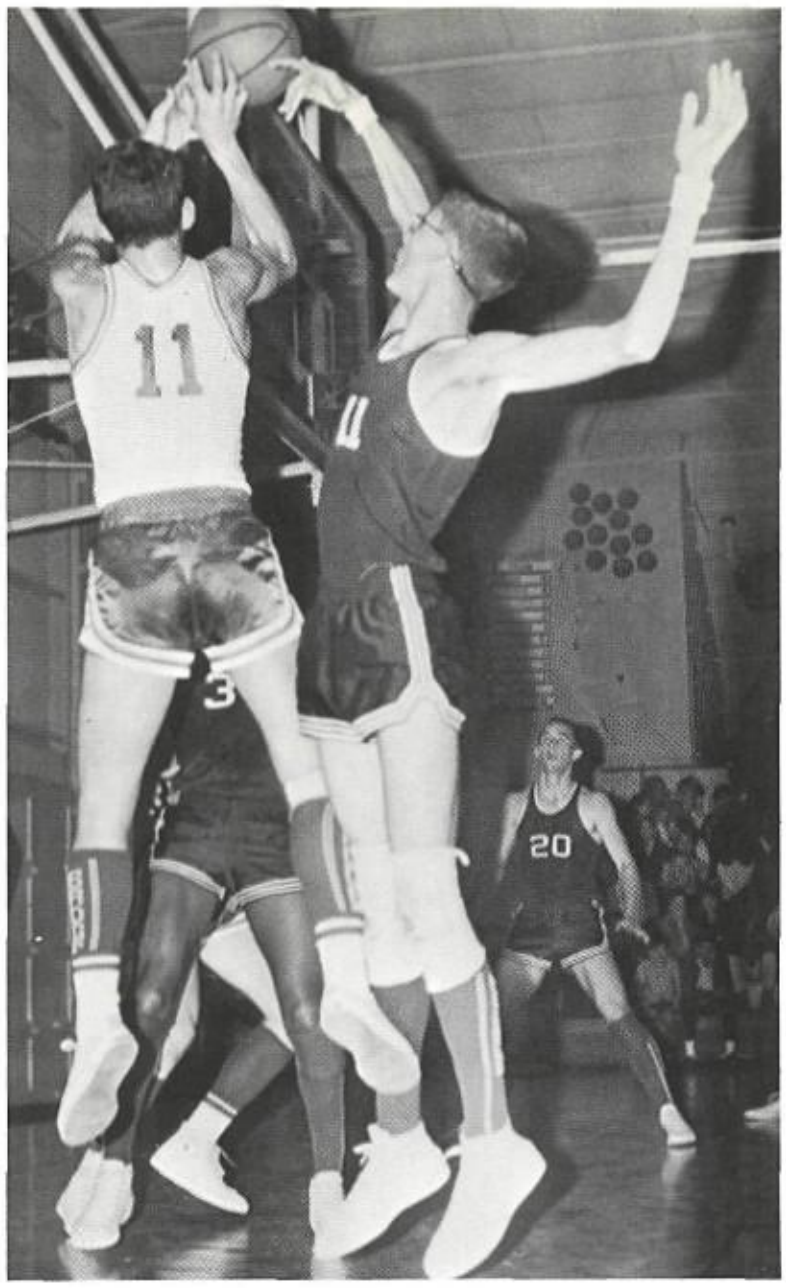
Jimmy Miller scores on a lay-up.



Don Taylor gets the tip.

Johnny Mayo lays it in.

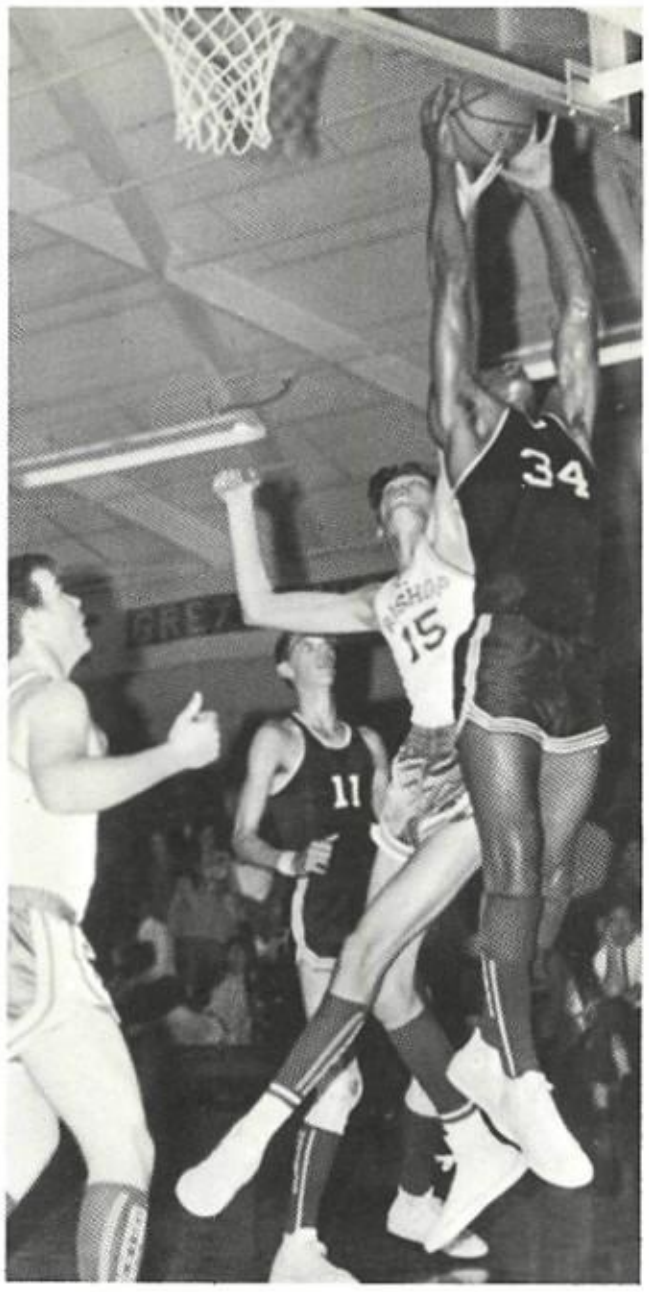




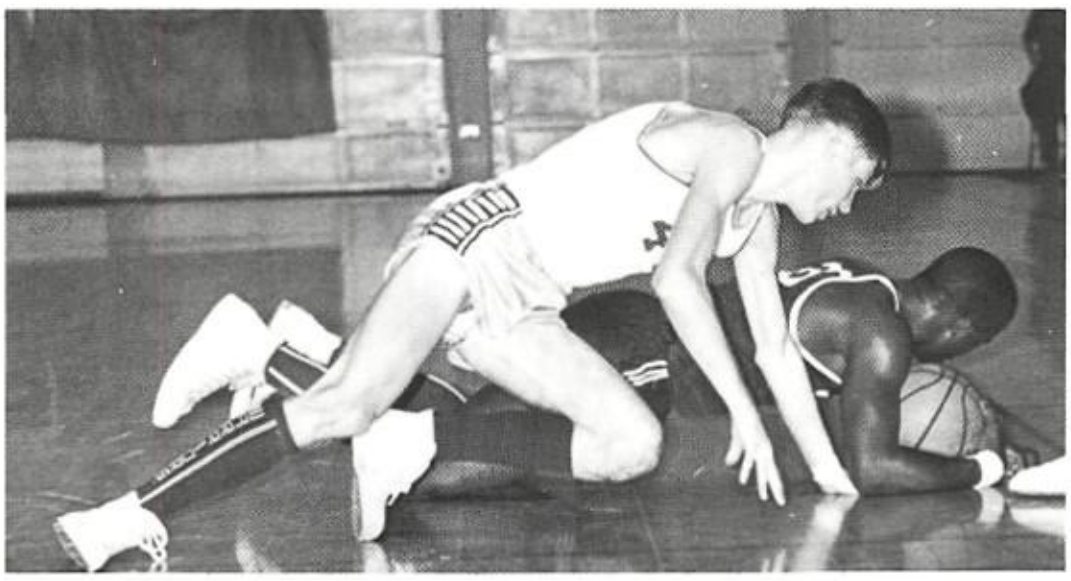
Johnny Mayo (11) blocks a shot.

Frank Davis (34) up high for a rebound.

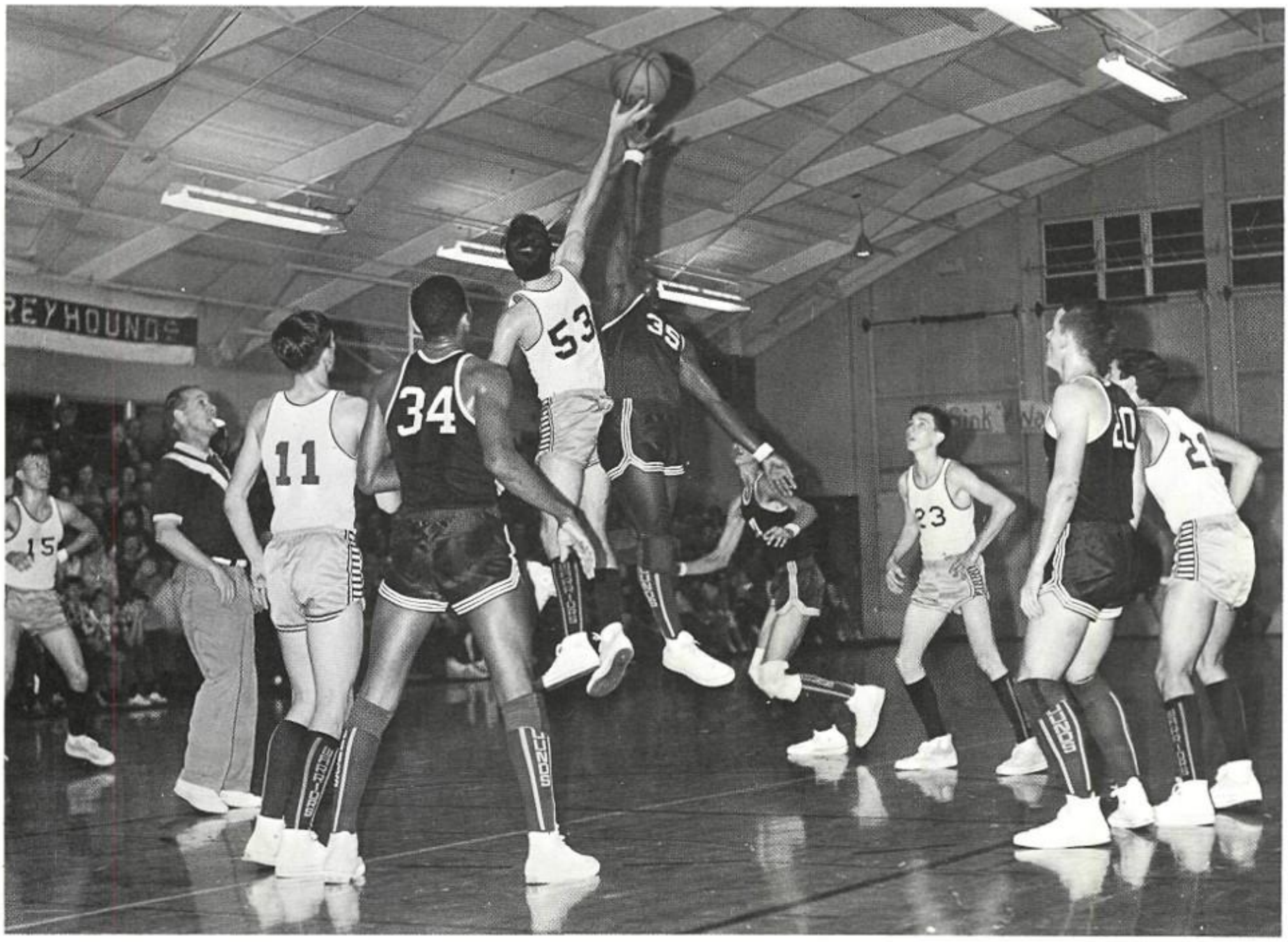
Hounds Upset in Bi-District



Frank Davis (34) in the act of being fouled.



Lester Rhodes scrambles for the ball.



Lester Rhodes (35) goes high for the tip.

STANDING: P. Moore, R. Bayless, C. Wendel, K. Randolf, I. Jefferson, S. Laws, Mrs. Markham.
KNEELING: R. Rodriquez, S. Perlta, J. Collavo, B. Tims, L. Lott, M. Molina.

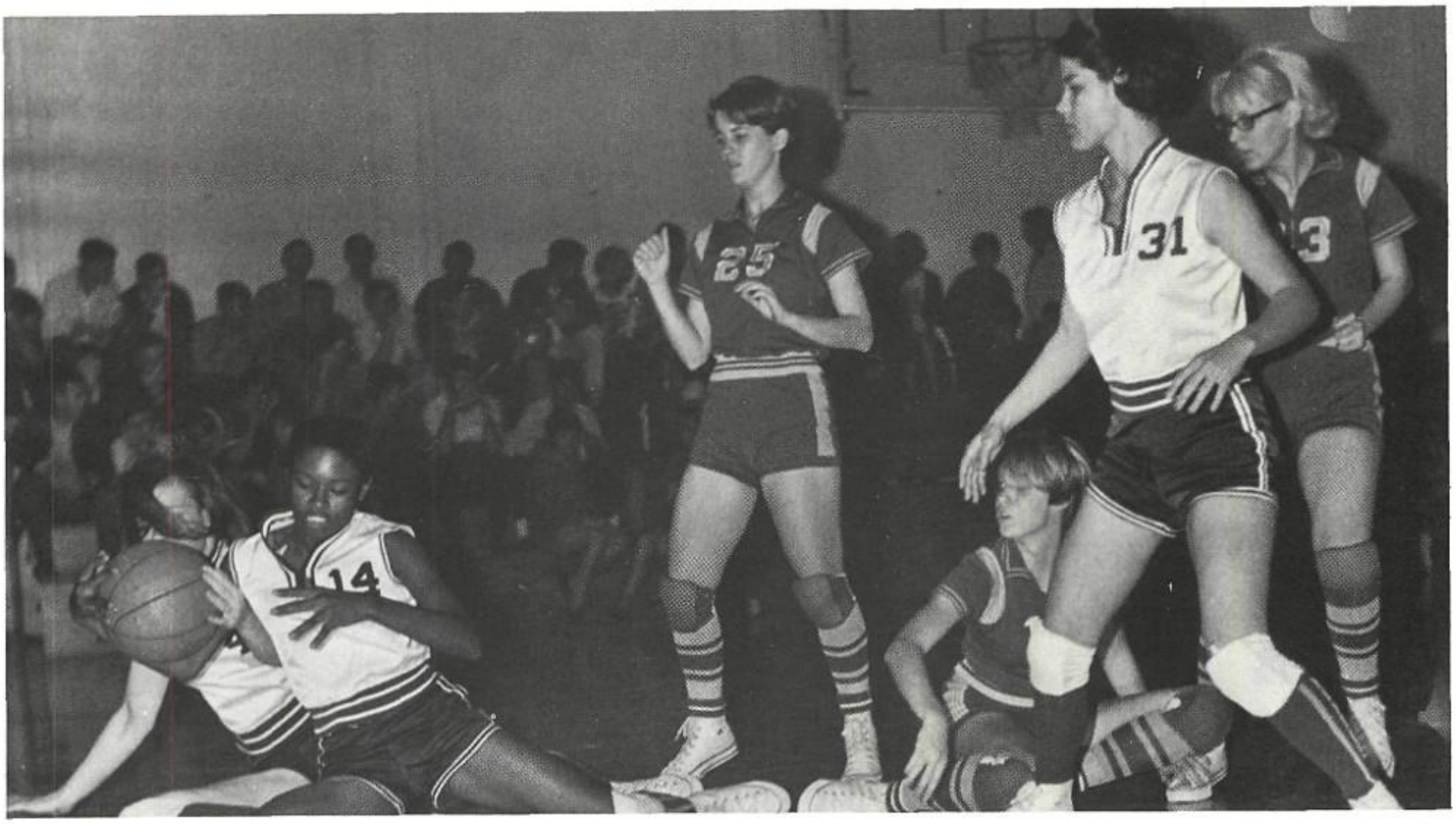
Girls Basketball

The Taft girls basketball team showed considerable improvement this year. They placed 5th in district by winning seven games.

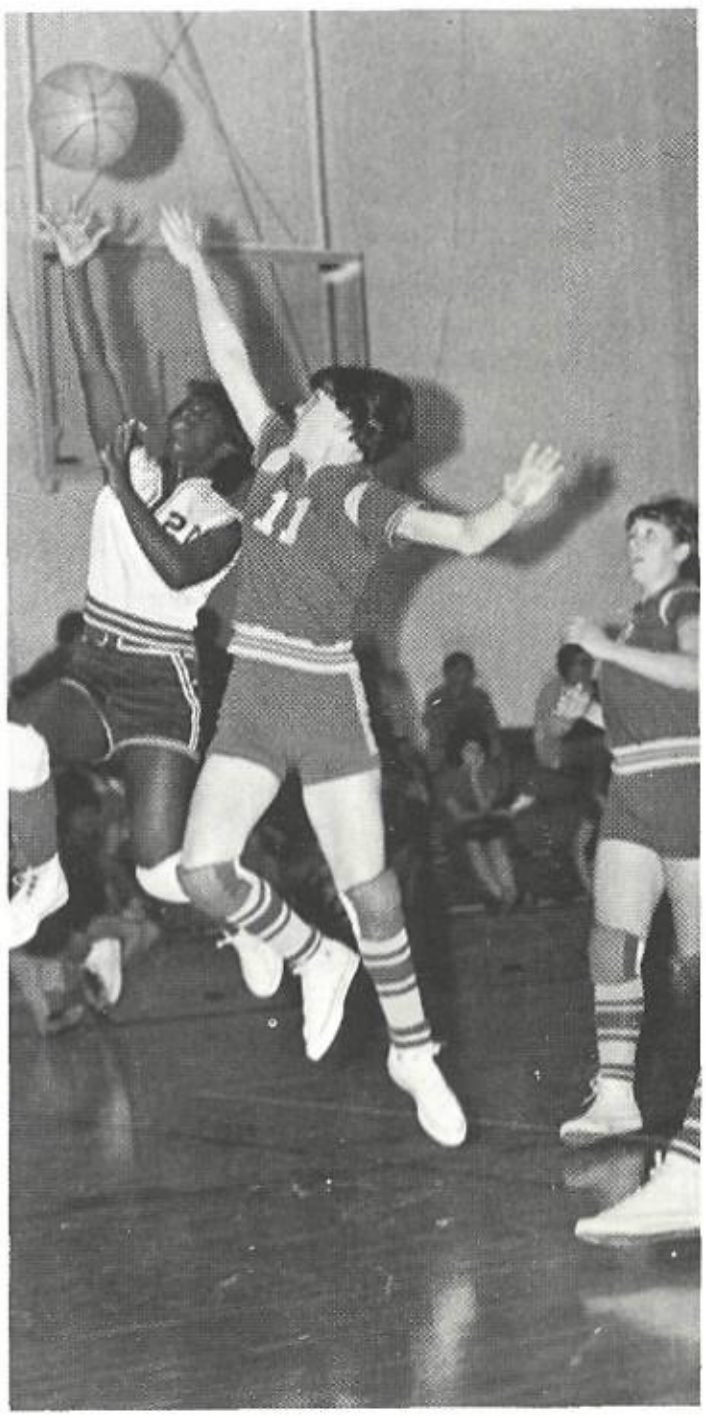
The Greyhounds defeated Mathis twice, Odem, Premont twice, Flour Bluff, and Ingleside, to give them a season record of 7-15. The district record was 3-8.

Carolyn Wendel scored the majority of the points and Karen Randolf was chosen the most outstanding player of the year.

The coming year offers many possibilities for the girls, who have shown increased improvement for the four years that they have been playing.

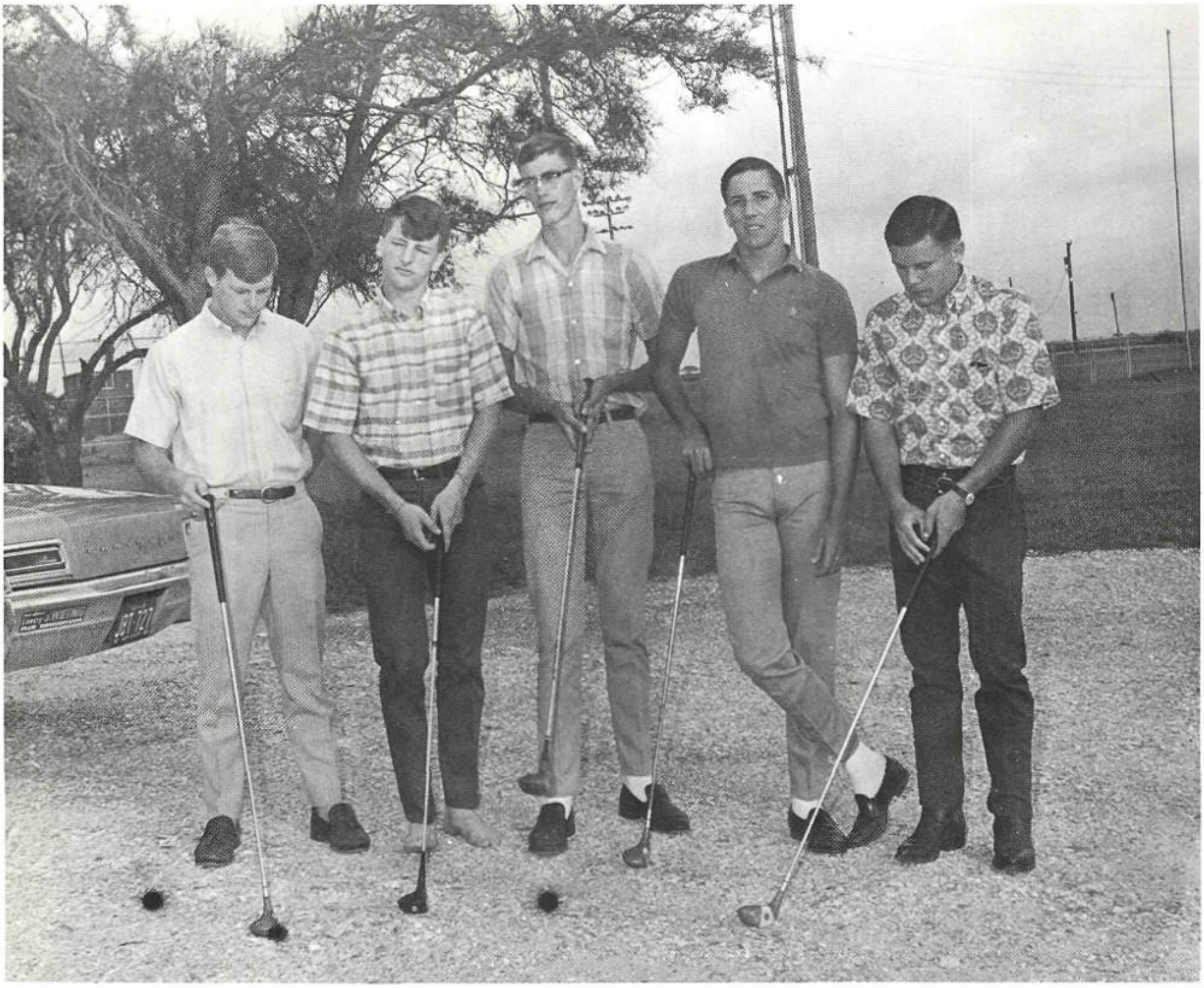


Sandra Laws (14) hustles to tie the ball.



Patsy Moore (13) looks for an opening.

Lucille Lott (20) goes for a rebound.



Left to Right: Curt Davis, Bubba West, Johnny Mayo, Bobby Nance, and Larry Ewald.

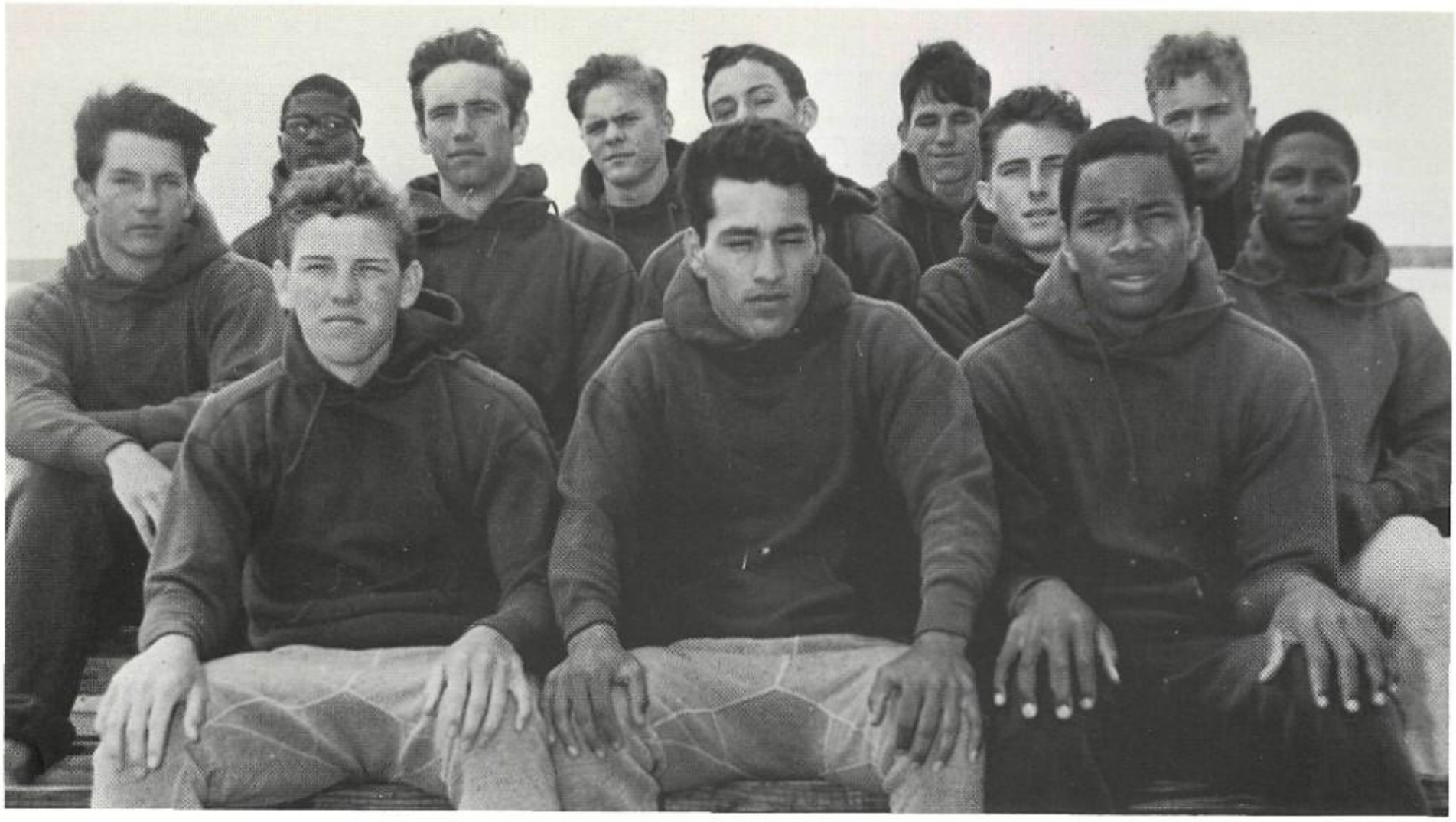
The above boys represented Taft High School in University Interscholastic Competition on the district level. Johnny Mayo was a district medalist and represented Taft High School in the regional meet.

Golf

Tennis

Left to Right: Debie Marsh, Theresa Langen, and Anne Ayers.

The 1968 Girls Tennis team played in the district tournament in Toluso Midway. Theresa Langen competed against Aransas Pass in singles while Debie Marsh and Anne Ayers competed against Bishop in doubles. Although they did not place in district, they kept up their spirit of competition.



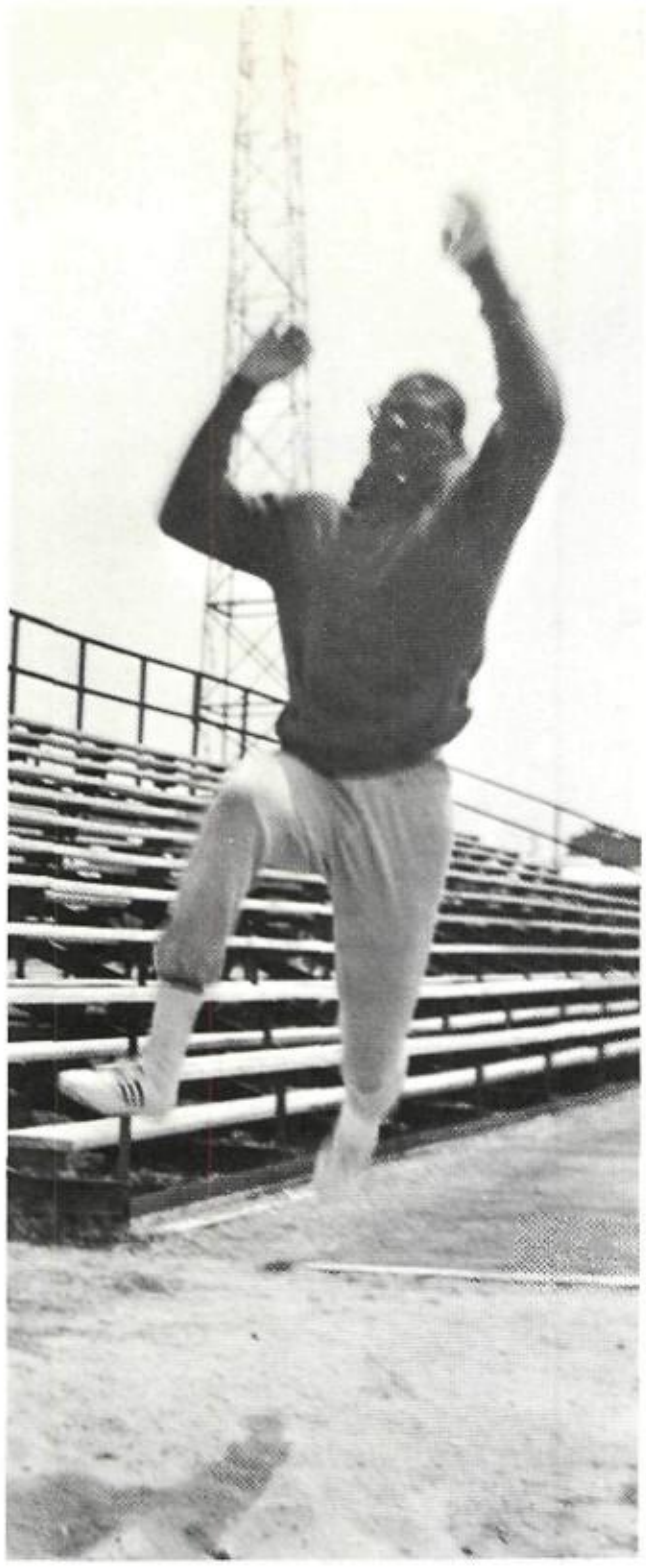
BACK ROW: C. Fennel, J. Hisey, J. Burch, R. Gabrysch; MIDDLE ROW: T. Floerke, D. Taylor, J. Miller, G. Davis, C. Fennel; FRONT ROW: R. Homann, E. Rendon, F. Davis.

Track

The Greyhound Track team completed a fair track season. Each week, the team showed improvements. Frank Davis won first in the district meet in the high hurdles, and represented Taft in the regional meet where he won fifth place.

The entire Greyhound Track team deserves recognition for a fine effort throughout the year.

Frank Davis, showing his form.



Clarence Fennel, Coming down.

Tony Floerke clears a height.

Ray Gabrysch puts the shot.

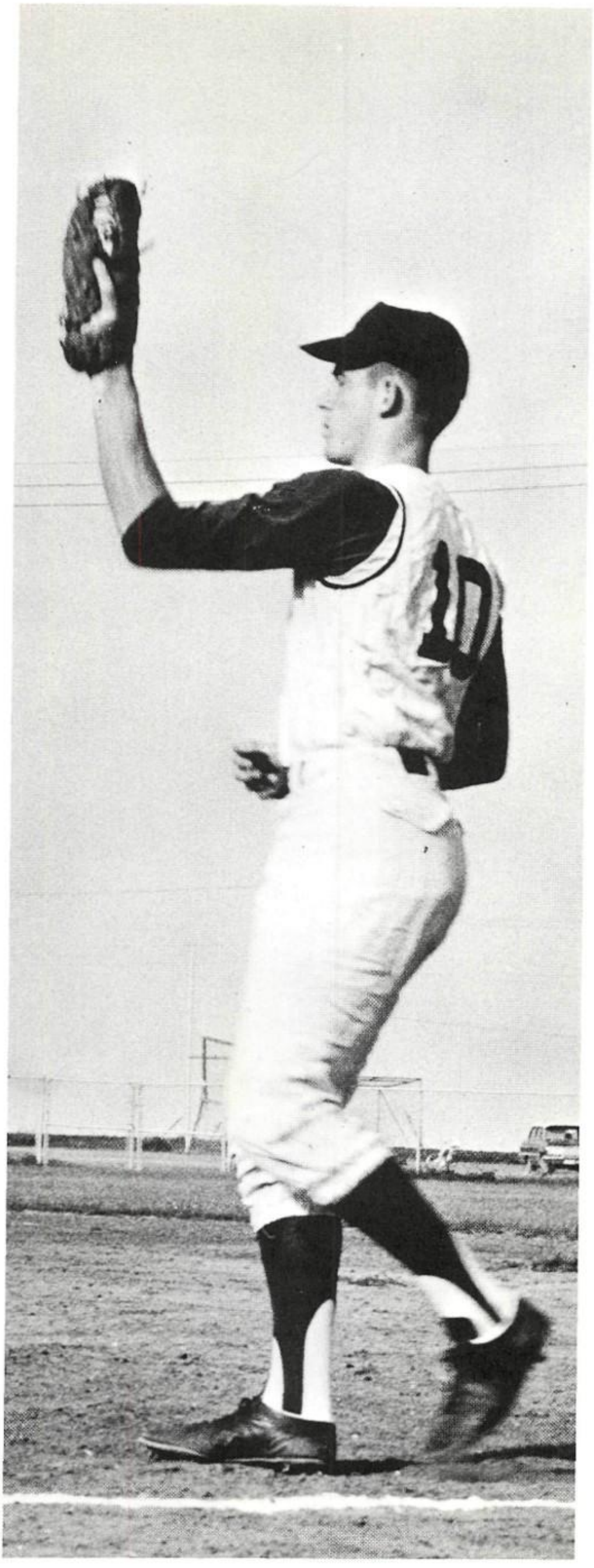
The mile relay team composed of J. Miller, C. Fennel, D. Taylor, and E. Rendon.

BACK ROW: T. Reding, J. Mayo, D. Taylor, S. Pullin, R. Homman, B. Nance, V. Heck; FRONT ROW: R. Gabrysch, J. Burch, S. Hamilton, M. Ramos, K. Poenisch, E. Rendon, A. Morris.

The Greyhound Baseball Team posted a record of 3 wins 10 losses and 1 tie.

Greyhound Baseball

Coach McMillin



Steve Pullin playing first base.

Melvin fires the ball home.

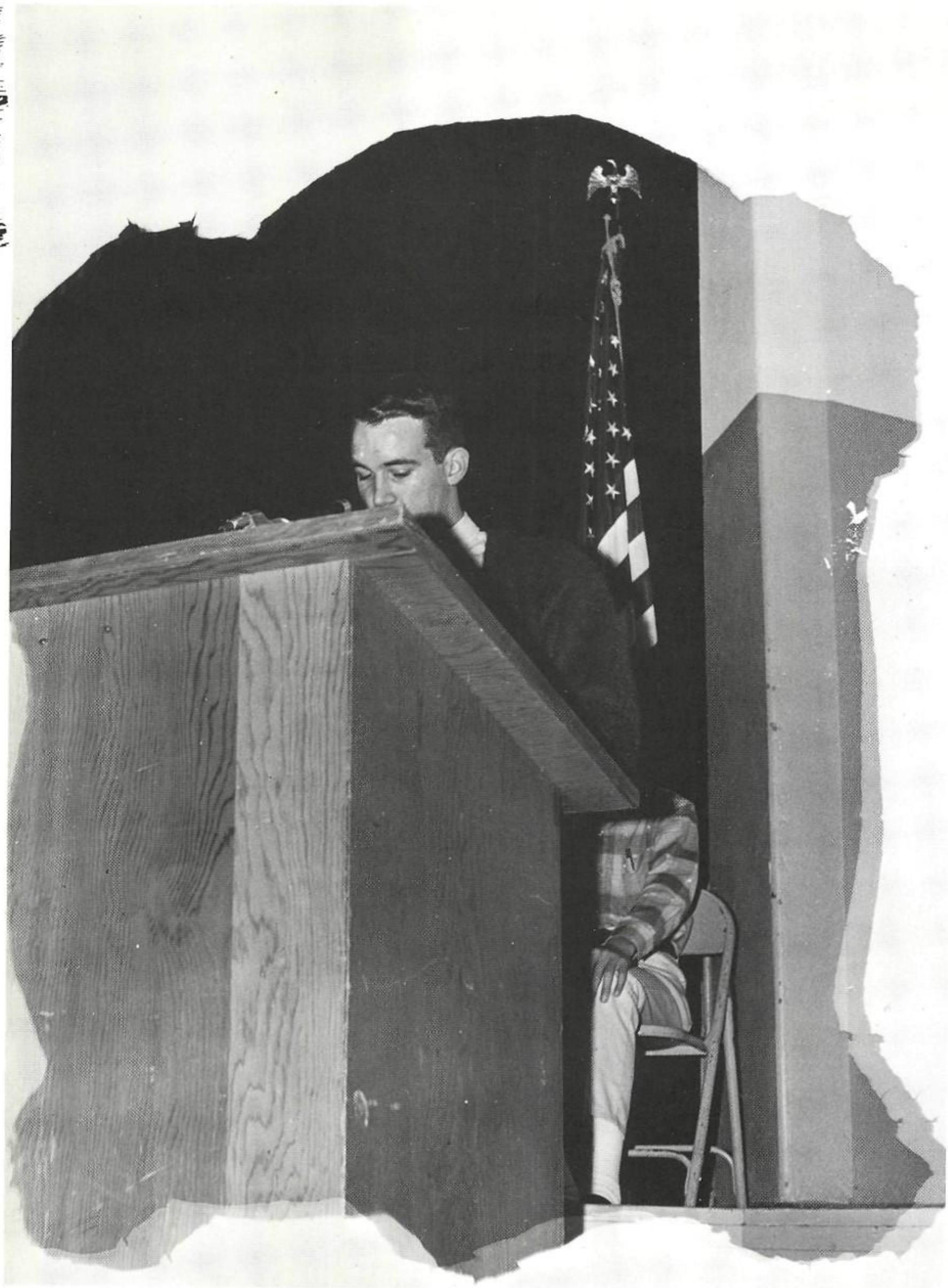
Earnest Rendon winds up.

Melvin Ramos (7) batting; T. Reding catching.

Speedy Hamilton takes a swing at the ball.

Coach McMillin observes batting practice.

Kenneth Poenisch winds up.



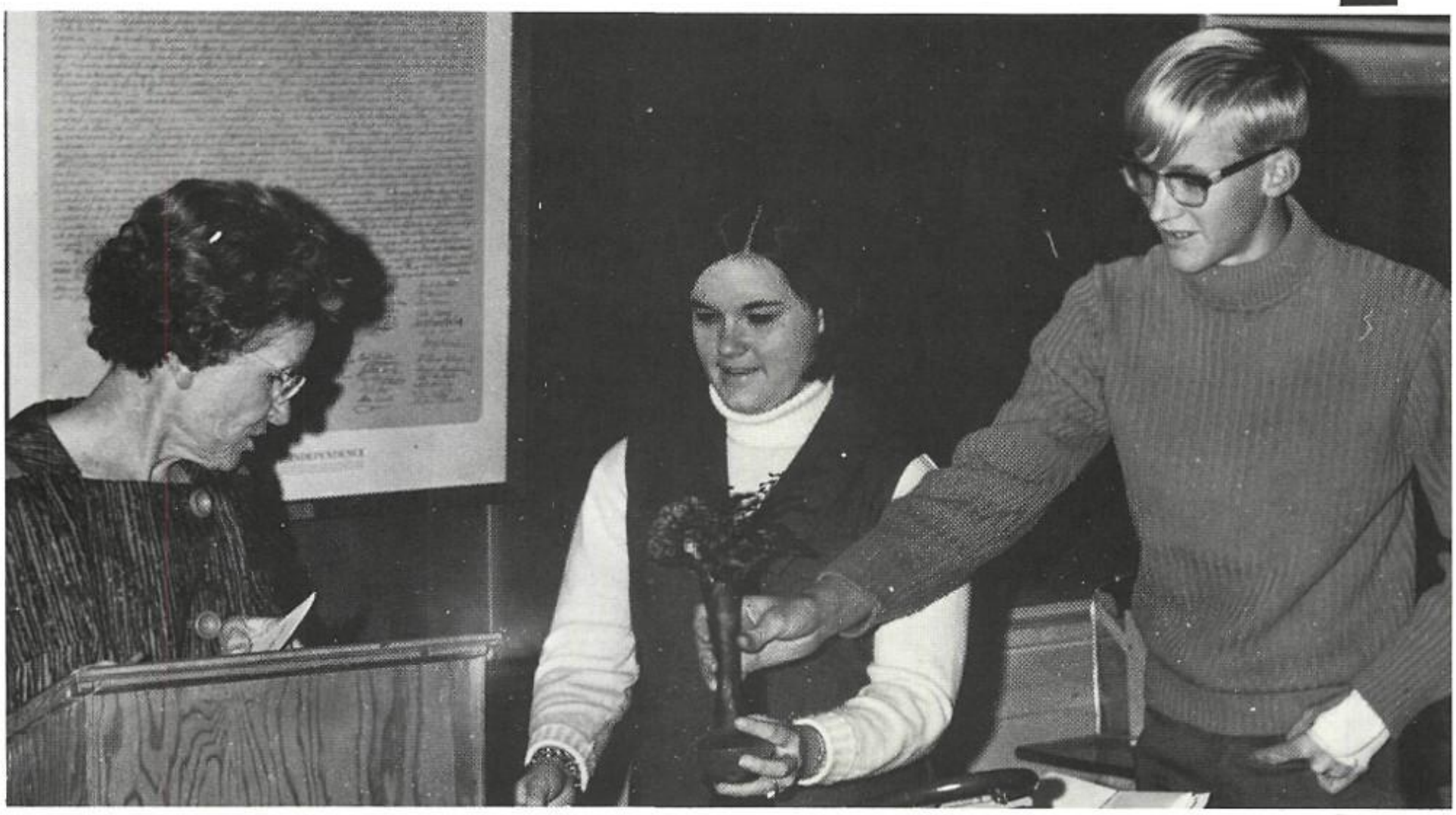
Organizations

FIRST ROW: A. Morris, H. Brattaaker, C. Wendel, B. Tims, J. Collavo, G. Garcia, O. Perales, J. Swanson, S. Pullin; ROW TWO: G. Moody, P. Toland, J. Rotzler, D. Rosson, C. Phillips, S. Threadgill, B. Koonce. B. Pinkett; BACK ROW: E. Rachel, T. Langen, M. Becker, J. Piester, C. Glasson, M. Smith, J. Hernandez, J. Moran.

Student Council

During the year 1967-68 the Student Council found itself very active in many projects. Gathering furniture for needy victims of Hurricane Beulah was one of these. The Student Council also planted trees on Arbor Day, gave teachers flowers for their birthdays and raised money to sponsor another foreign exchange student for the coming year. The highlight of the year came for its members when they recieved second in state on their scrap book at the convention in San Antonio.

Council Wins Second at T.A.S.C.



National Honor Society

Members of the National Honor Society are required to have an average of at least 85. They are selected on the basis of character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

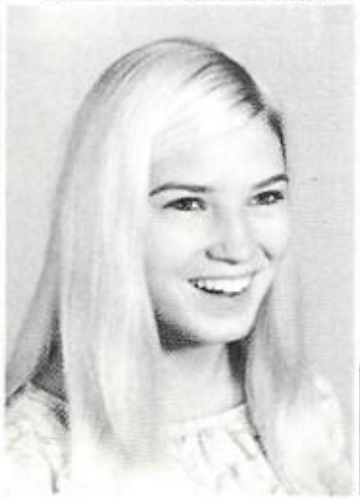
This is one of the highest honors attainable by high school students.

Nancy Bray
Alfonso Guajardo
Qurino Perales
Pablo Valdez

Ray Cisneros
Sonia Guerrero
Lydia Perez
Kurt Wilson

Curt Davis
Juan Moran
Jean Swanson

Larry Ewalt
Olga Perales
Ranell Titus



Quill & Scroll Society

Quill and Scroll Society is an International organization for high school journalists.

Membership is granted to high school journalists in recognition of their work in scholastic journalism and school publications. High standards are maintained, making membership a coveted honor for the individual student.

STANDING: Susan T., Sandi G., Annette B., Steve P., Celeste D., Gary M. SEATED: Beth G., Patti T., Jean S., Brenda T., Mary Jane I.

FRONT ROW: Sue E., Melanie B., Sylvia B., Mary S., Carolyn W., Lynne L., Nancy T. SECOND ROW: Sherry G., Shirley H., Jana M., Linda K., Sandi W., Theresa L., Gail I., Hildi B. THIRD ROW: Deneane W., Janie C., Martha R., Helen C., Pasty R., Betty K., Mary M. BACK ROW: Roxanne S., Dorothy M., Barbara G., Virginia B., Diane P., Evelyn R., Mary Lou M.

FHA

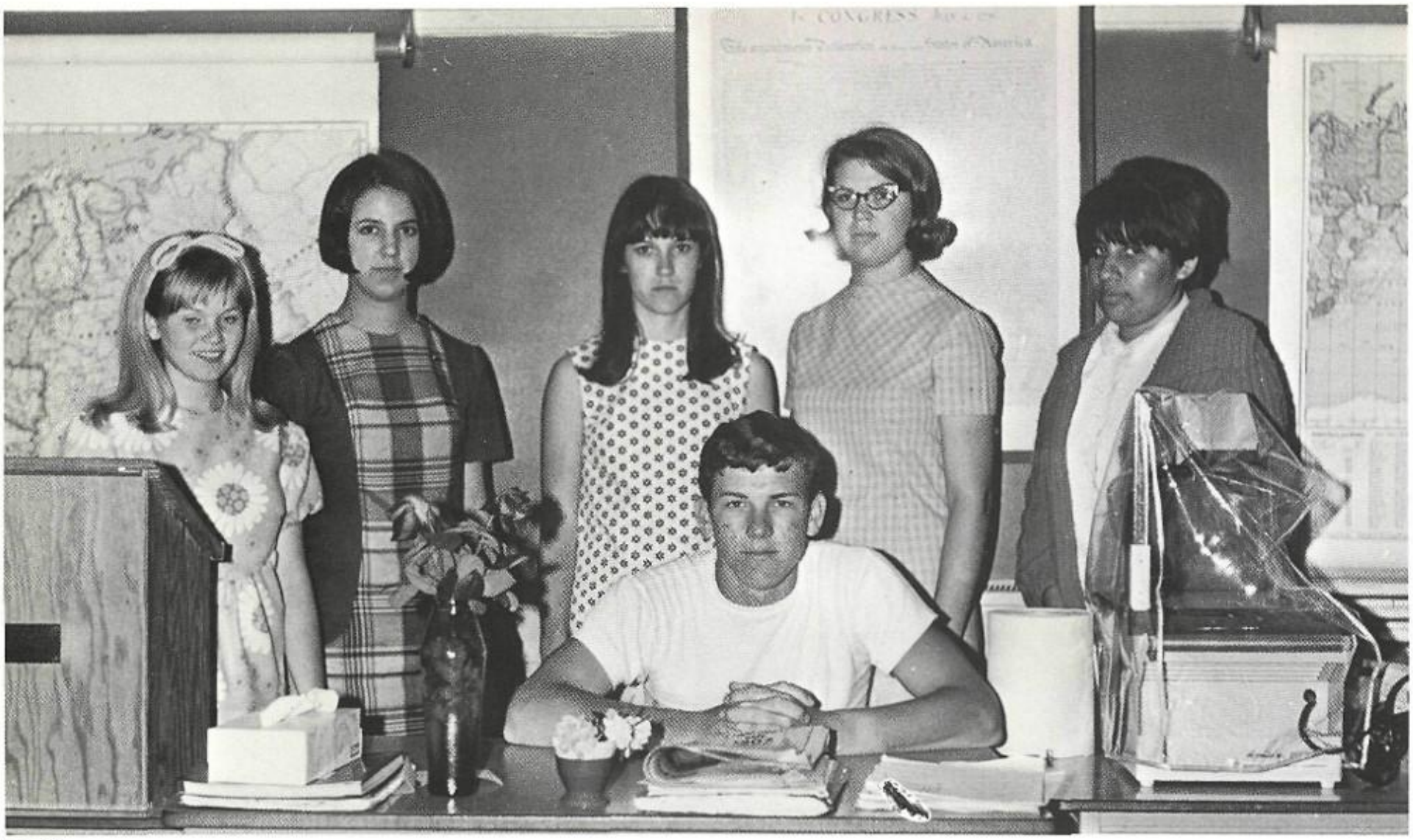
The Modern Misses F. H. A. Chapter is always busy. During the year they had a hayride for members and their guests, gave a spaghetti supper, and had numerous bake sales. Most of the members won ribbons at the county fair. Delegates sent to the State Convention in Austin were Theresa Langen, Melanie Becker, Sylvia Beyer, Mary Smith, and Roxanne Schmidt.

This club is for girls who wish to work, learn, and have a lot of fun.

Future Farmers of America

The Future Farmers of America helps to prepare boys for the various opportunities available in the field of agriculture. The boys have access to a farm and they raise animals for the county show. Several groups are sent to various judging contest throughout the year.

FRONT ROW: Mr. Tomlin, J. Burch, K. Poenisch, K. Hutto, K. Mutchler, A. Jones, J. Molina. SECOND ROW: J. Moran, R. Poenisch, D. Brezina, C. Tomlin, D. Beyer, G. Hodges. THIRD ROW: E. Garcia, M. Burch, S. Roper, J. Waggoner, R. Hickman, A. Barbee, C. Johnson. FOURTH ROW: J. Hickey, D. Hodges, R. Threadgill, B. McClanahan, C. Vickers, E. Syma. BACK ROW: J. Carrizales, S. Ayala, M. Ramos, M. Avalos, T. Reding, M. Hunt.



STANDING: Anne A., Nancy B., Sandi G., Carolyn W., Estella B. SEATED: Ronnie H.

F.T.A.

The F.T.A. strives to learn about teaching as a career and to become acquainted with the opportunities in this profession. The F.T.A. members learn by observing in a classroom of their choice, then practice teaching under the supervision of a teacher.

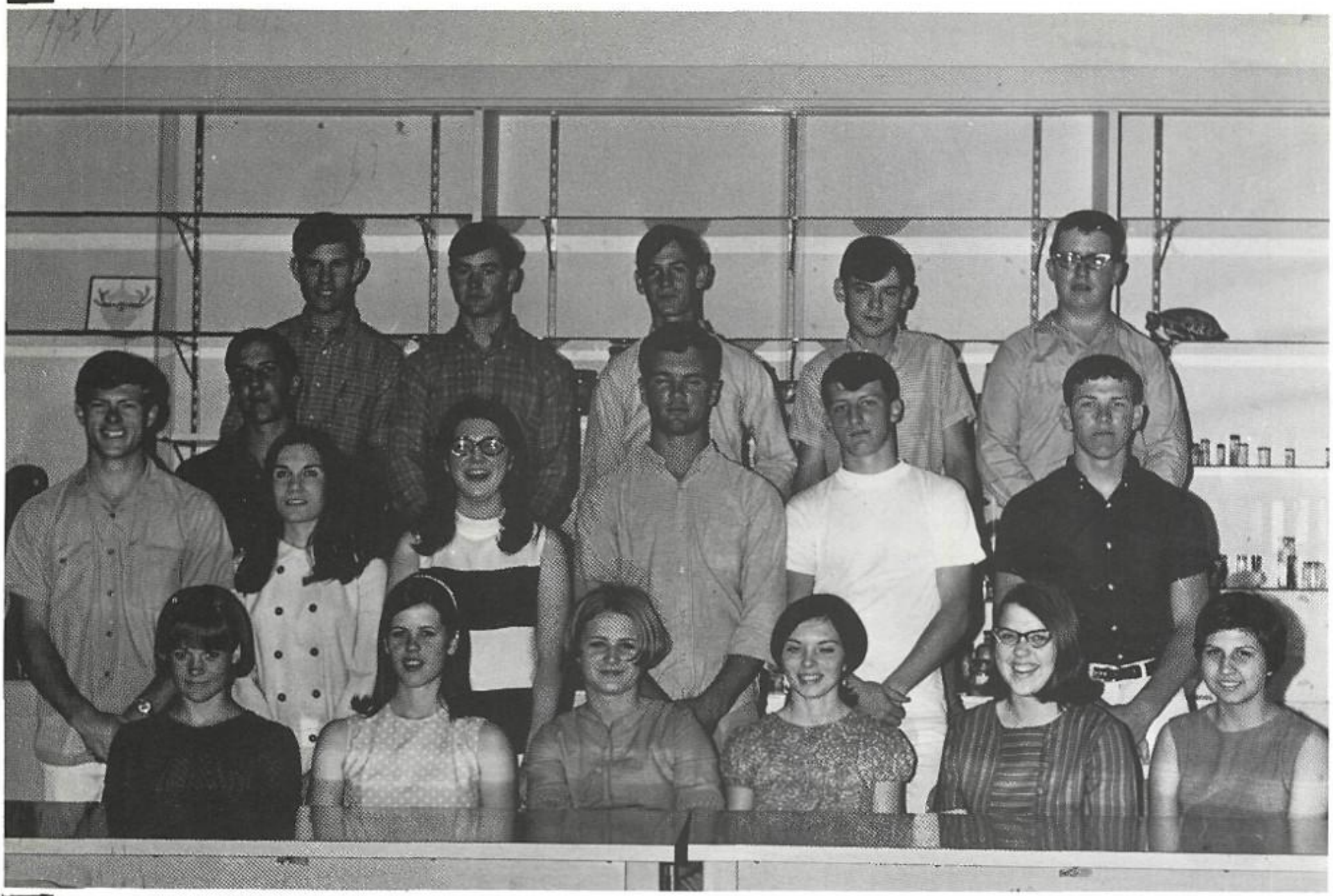
During the year, the members attended the F.T.A. convention in Alice.

Spanish Club

Membership in the Spanish Club is open to any first or second year Spanish student who is interested in the Spanish language and Latin American culture.

Members of the club have had several bake sales to raise money to take a trip to the HemisFair in San Antonio.

FRONT ROW: Janice C., Raye Anne B., Celeste D., Jean S., Gail I., Dru R., Jackie W. BACK ROW: Gerald D., Ed R., Johnny M., Noe D., Mike K., And Dru I.



SEATED: Debie M., Doll D., Cynthia G., Melanie B., Mary S., Linda G., 2nd ROW: Curt D., Cheryl S., Sylvia B., Ray G., Bubba W., Ronnie H. BACK ROW: Bobby N., Tommy R., Mike H., Miles R., Robert P., Charles T.

Science Club

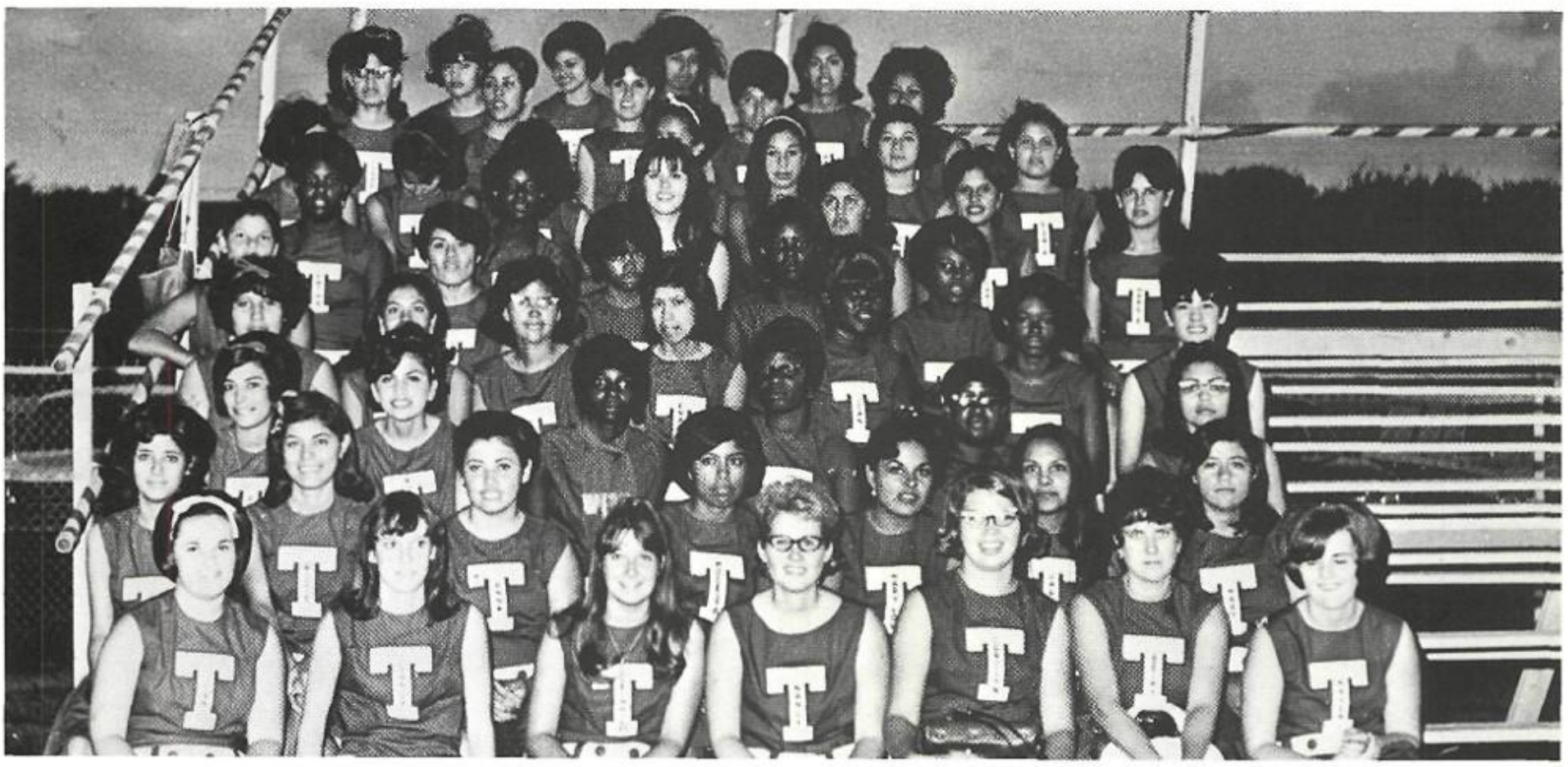
The purpose of the Science Club is to direct the students energy and enthusiasm toward science. In this way students realize their potential for contributing to their future in science.

The main project of the Science Club is sponsoring the Science Fair.

Pep Squad

The Pep Squad's goal is to promote school spirit and keep it soaring. Its members provide much of the noise and enthusiasm at the games and pep rallies.

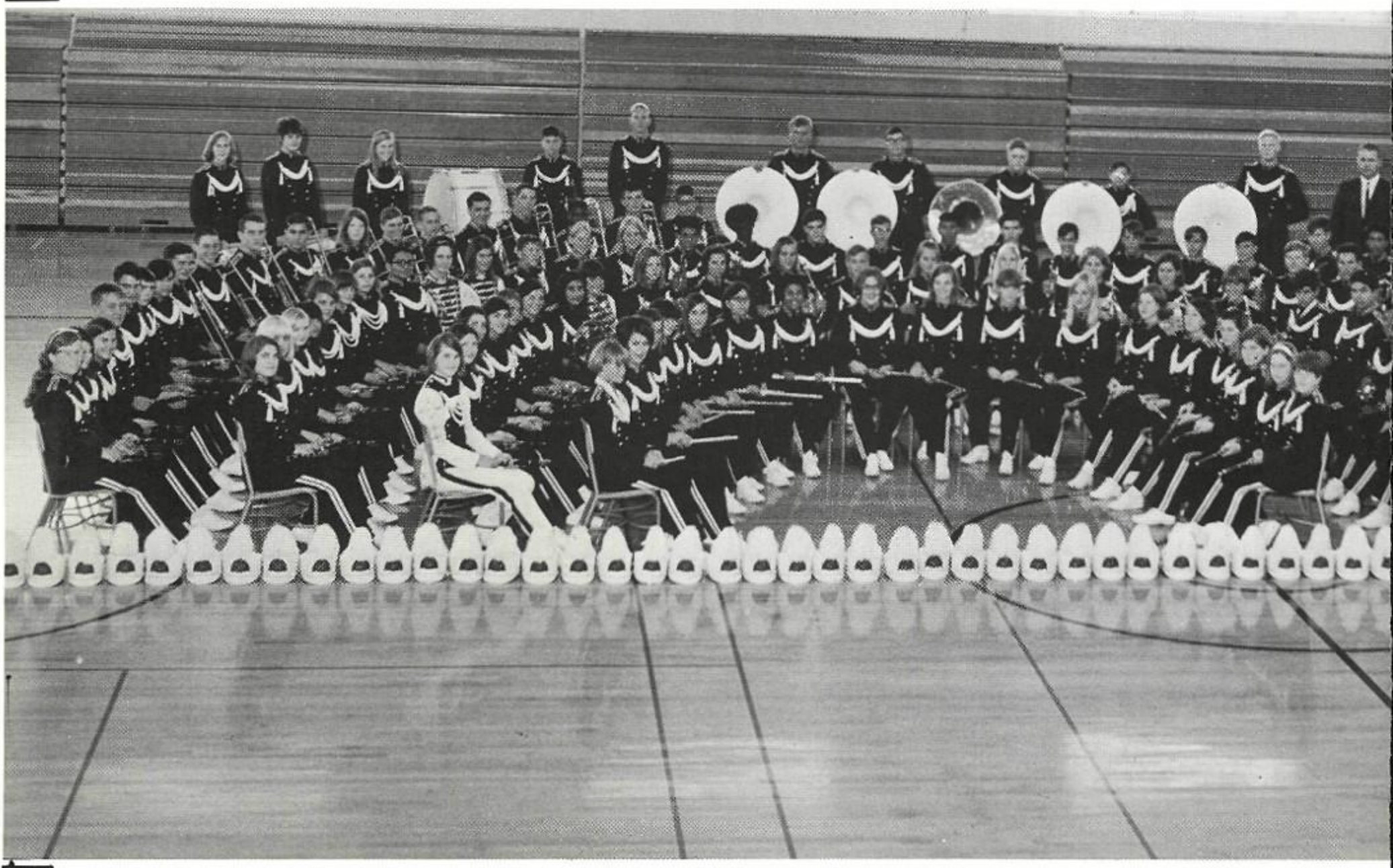
The Sponsor is Mrs. Joyce Markam.



FRONT ROW: J. Swanson, S. Gracey, H. Brattaaker, N. Tunnel, C. Wendel, B. Pinkett, K. Dozier. SECOND ROW: J. Guerra, R. Rodriquez, A. Gonzales, M. Gonzales, M. Avalos, J. Lopez, M. Hinojosa. THIRD ROW: B. Maladonado, E. Rendon, B. Laws, B. Gray, N. Townsend, T. Montez. FOURTH ROW: E. Belmarez, E. Sandoval, D. Rosalez, F. Solis, B. Wallace, S. Laws, M. Medina. FIFTH ROW: V. Hernandez, S. Cortinas, W. Warren, J. Jefferson, M. Warren. SIXTH ROW: K. Jefferson, L. Lott, G. Montemayor, J. Guajardo, C. Casiano, M. Fiqueroa. SEVENTH ROW: M. Ruiz, N. Sifuentes, A. Garcia, J. Rodriquez, S. J. Gonzales, G. Ayala. EIGHTH ROW: I. Hernandez, M. Narvaez, S. Trevino, A. Jaime, E. Villalobos. NINTH ROW: M. Longoria, M. Ybarra, L. Bustos, A. Solis.

All-District

Debie Marsh, Scott Hardy, Brenda Tims, and Becky Driver



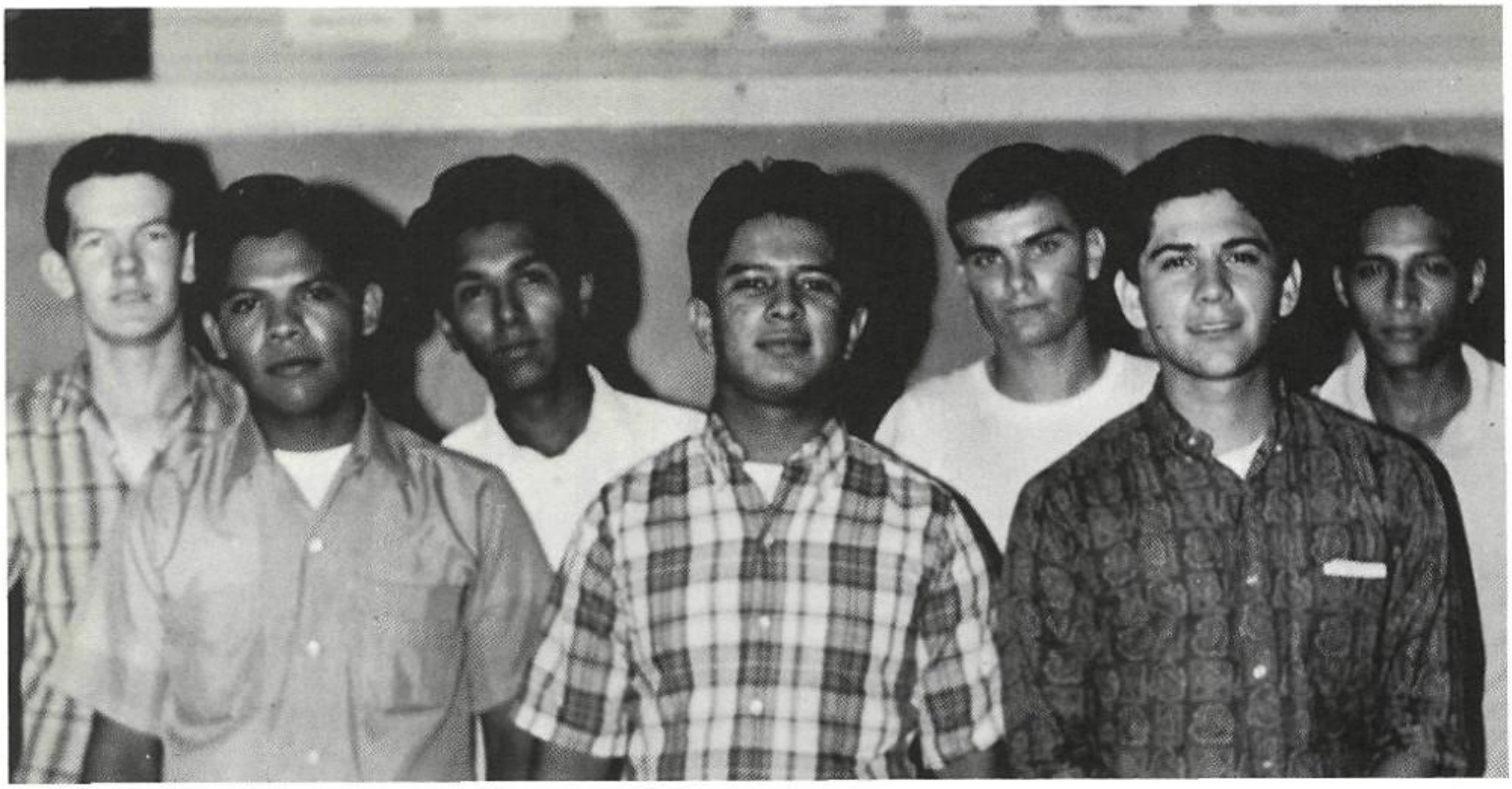
Band

Spirit is the essence of the school, and the THS Band is a vital spark of that spirit around campus. These devoted students gave their time freely for the enjoyment of others at numerous pep rallies, through parades, and at our football games.

The band also went to UIL where they received a Special Award. The band was invited to Six Flags in Dallas where they played in a concert. They received a two rating in competition there.

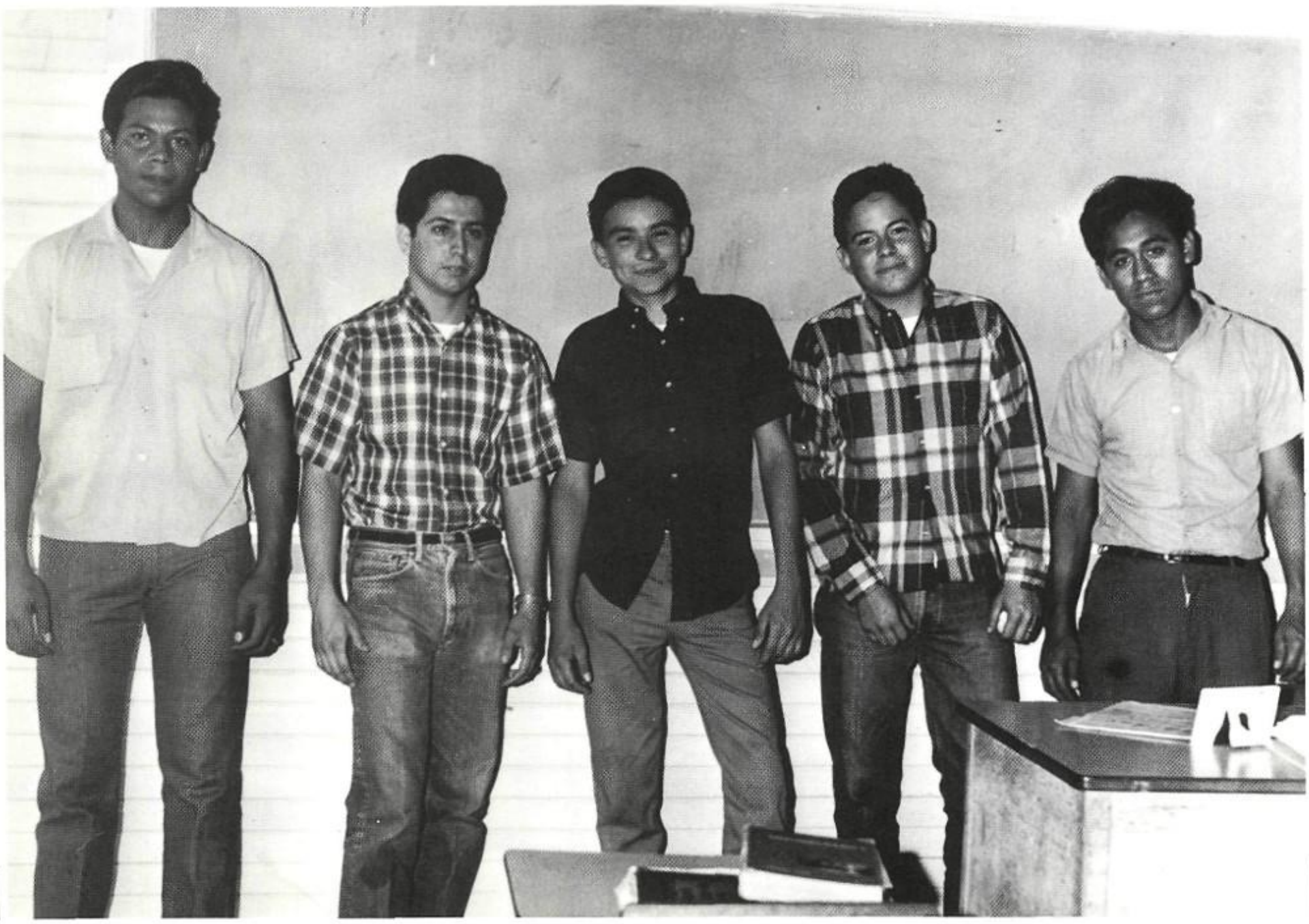
All-State

JENDA MARSH



FRONT ROW: S. Valdez, R. Lopez, J. Gaitan. SECOND ROW: J. Ash, H. Herrera, D. Silvas, E. Martinez

Auto Mechanics V.J.C.



M. Vara, A. Galindo, D. Silvas, R. Mireles, L. Salis

FRONT ROW: J. Mendez, R. Garcia, D. Rozales, H. Moreno. D. Perez, F. Naranjo, Y. Moreno. SECOND ROW: T. Rodriquez, P. Valdez, H. Cruz, E. Rendon, B. Cleveland, L. Solis, R. Sturgeon, S. Saldana. BACK ROW: L. Mendez, S. Encintia, S. Saldana, S. Cruz, R. Martinez, J. Mendoza, L. Martinez, T. Silvas.

Electrical Trades

Electrical Trades is one of the courses available in our vocational plan. One of the main purposes of this organization is to teach the skills of this specialized field to those who do not plan to attend college.

Publications Staff

ALL-TEXAS AWARD

Texas High School Press Association

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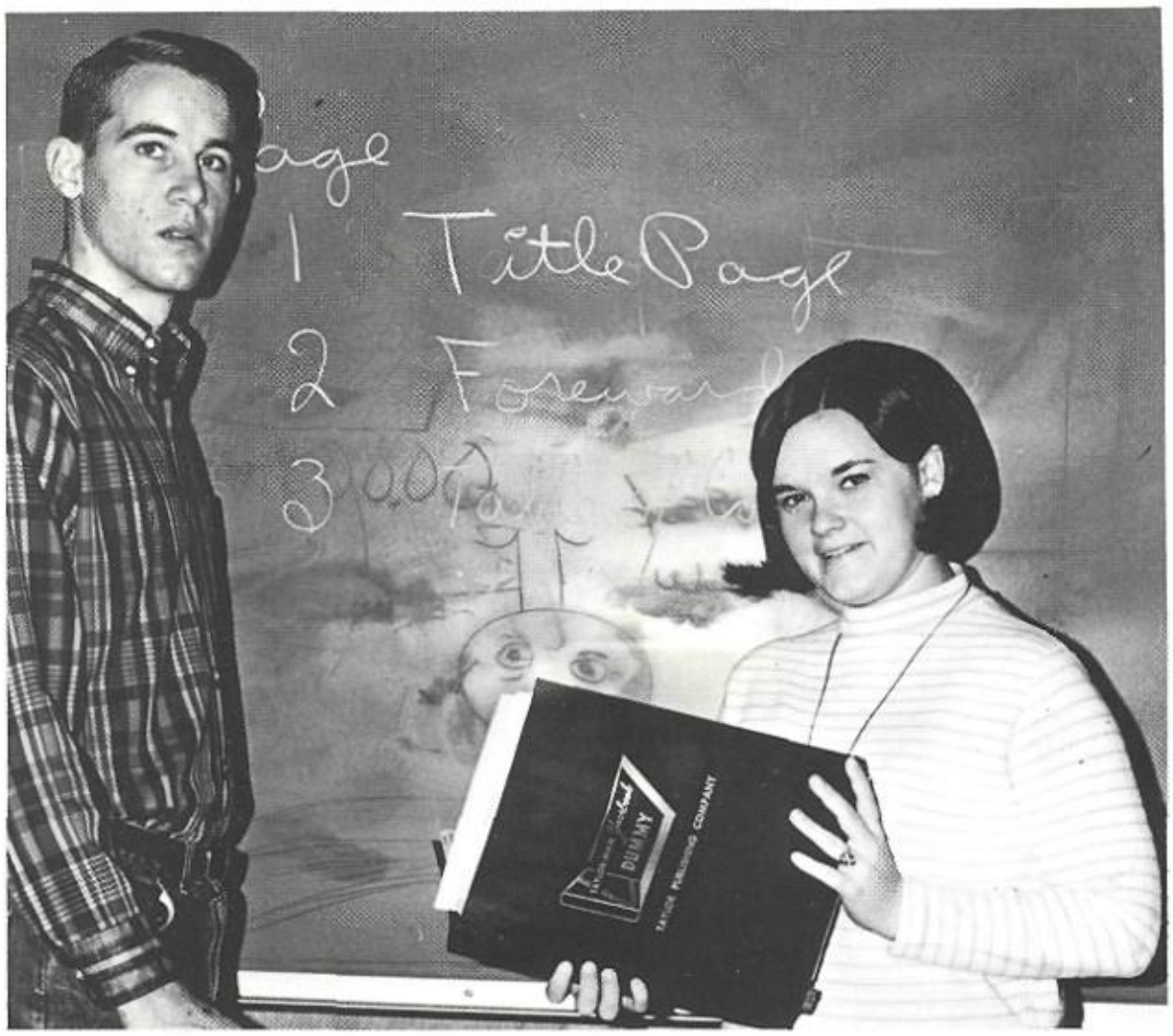
National Yearbook Association

Work began on the 1968 annual early in September. Students were assigned jobs and began gathering pictures and writing copy for the pages. The Annual staff attended a yearbook workshop at Trinity University to help them publish a good annual containing an accurate picture of THS life.



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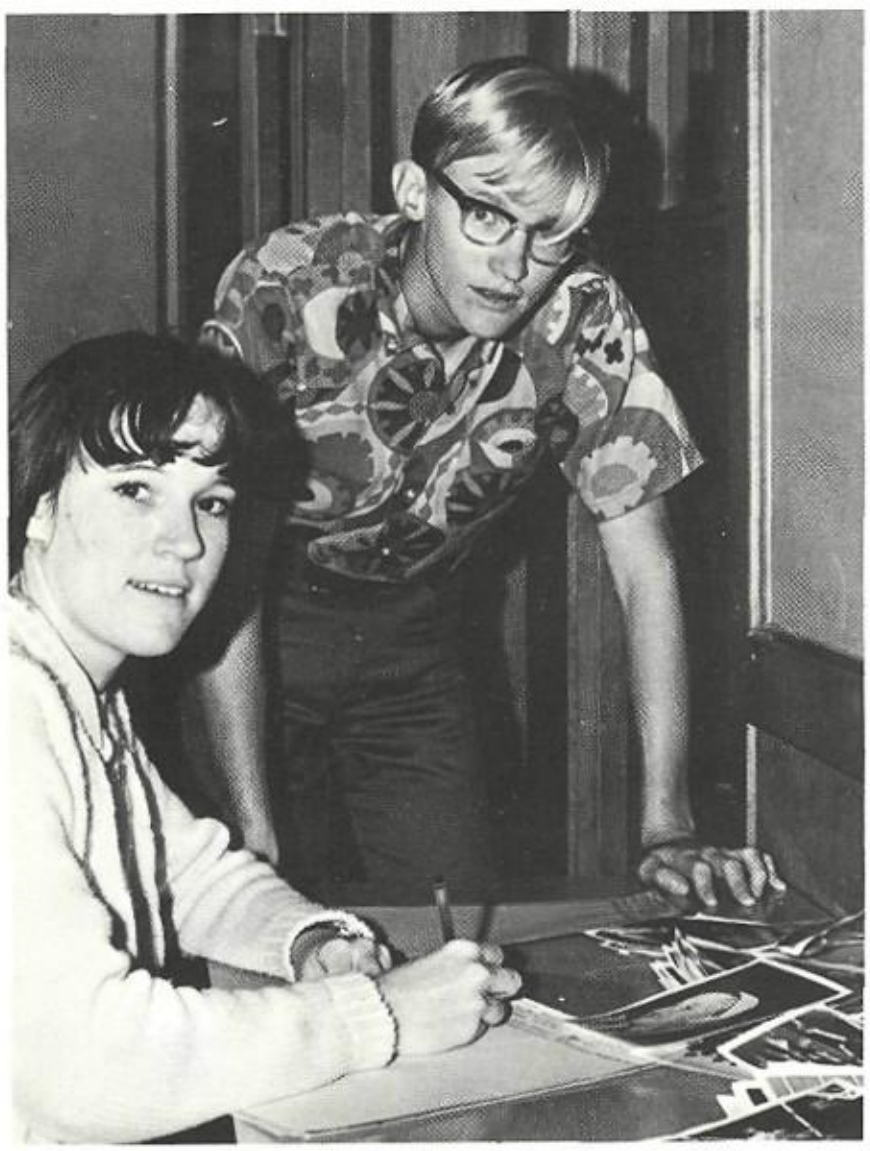

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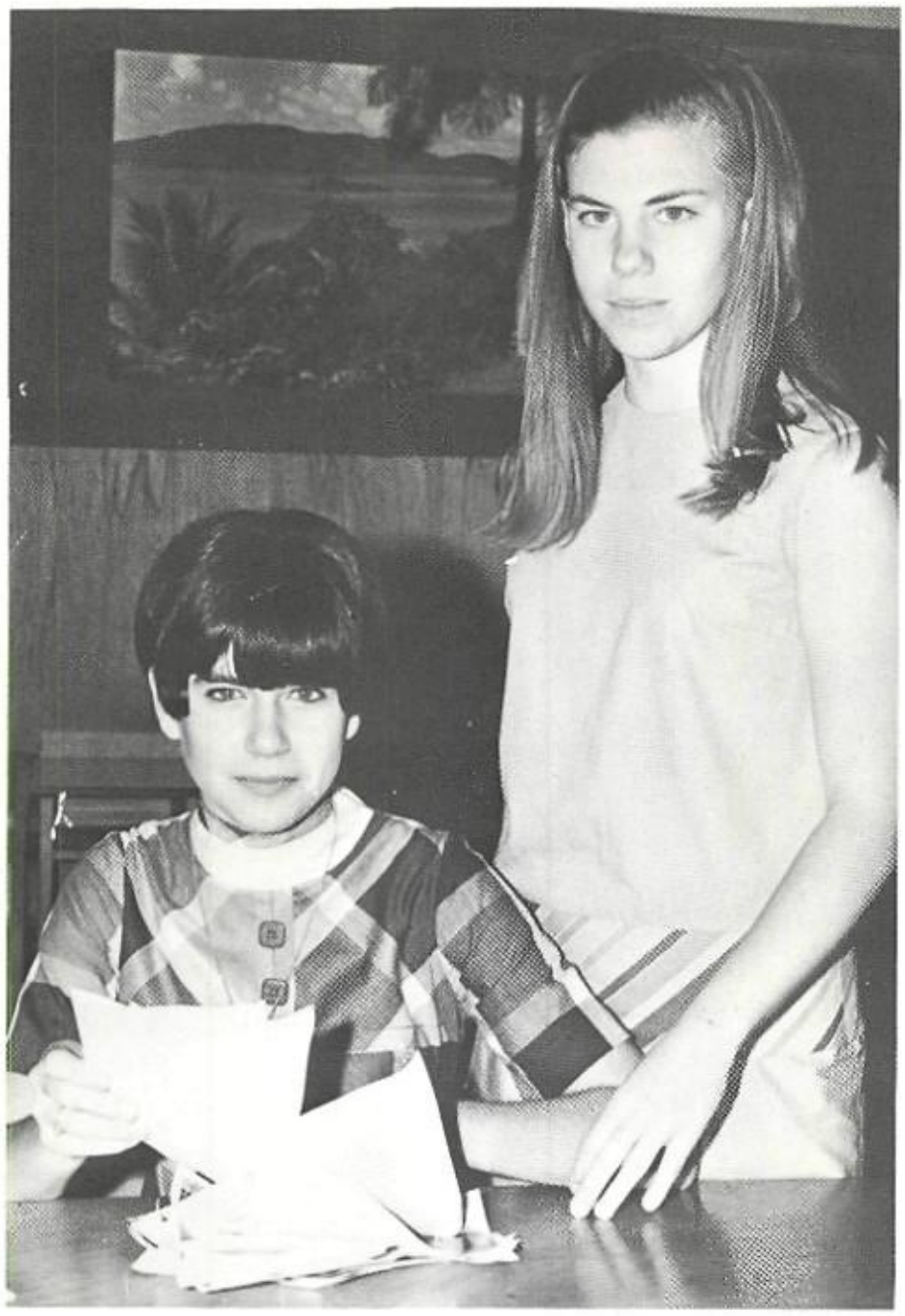

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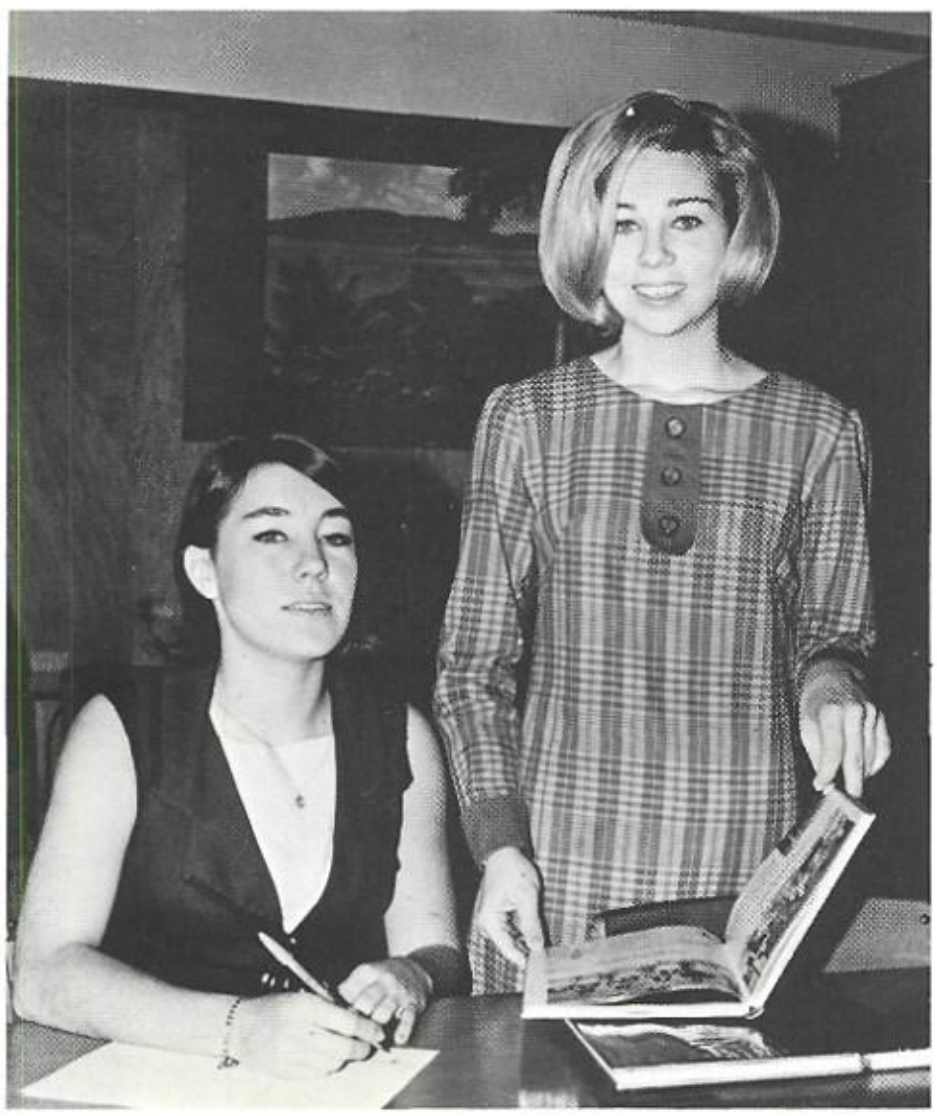

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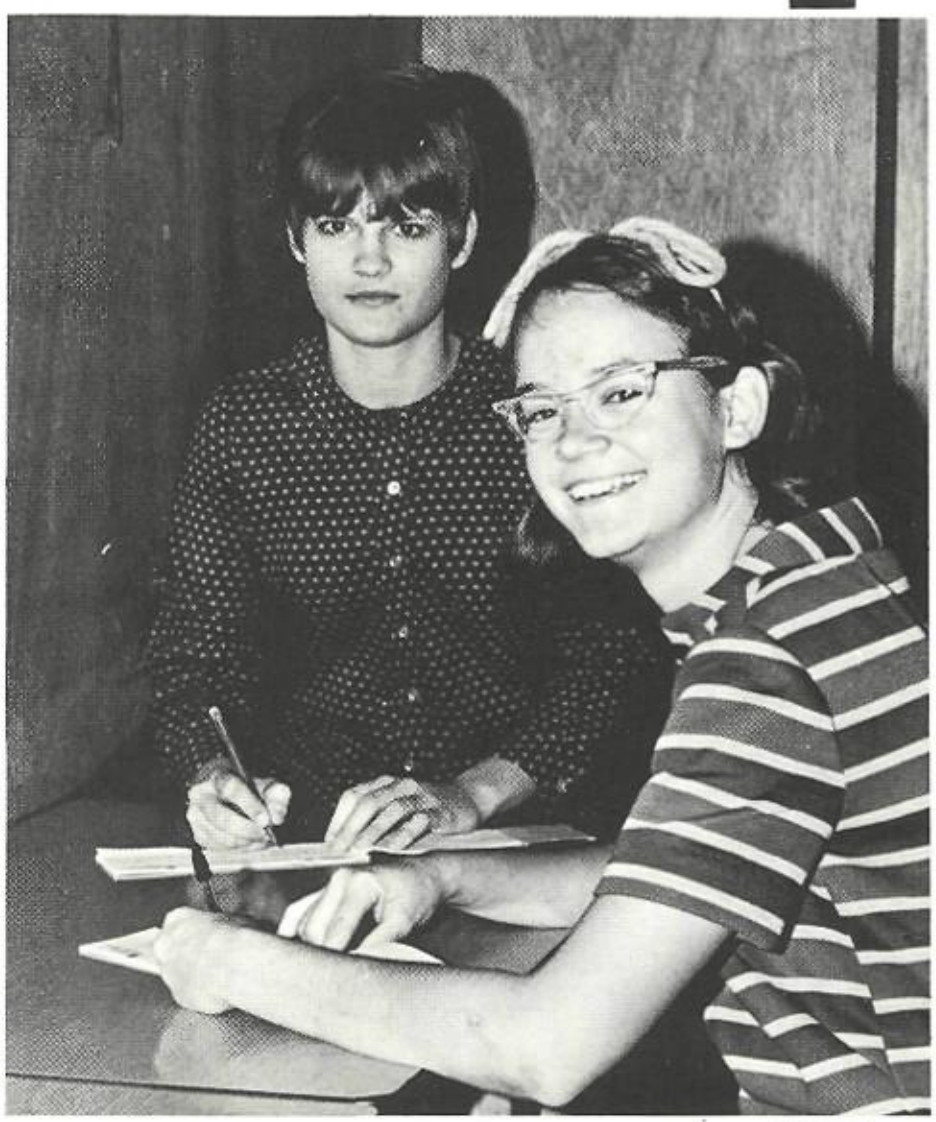

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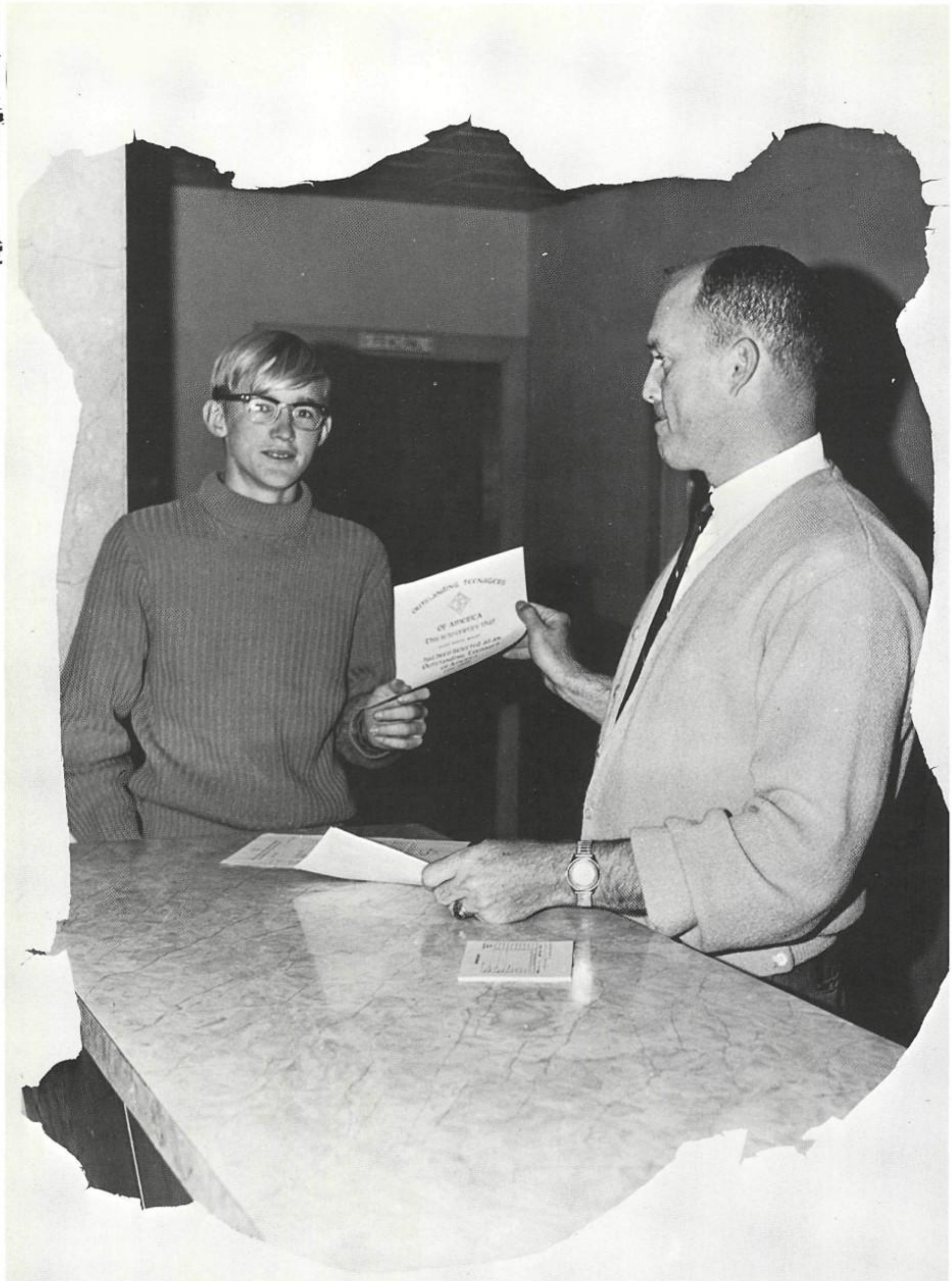
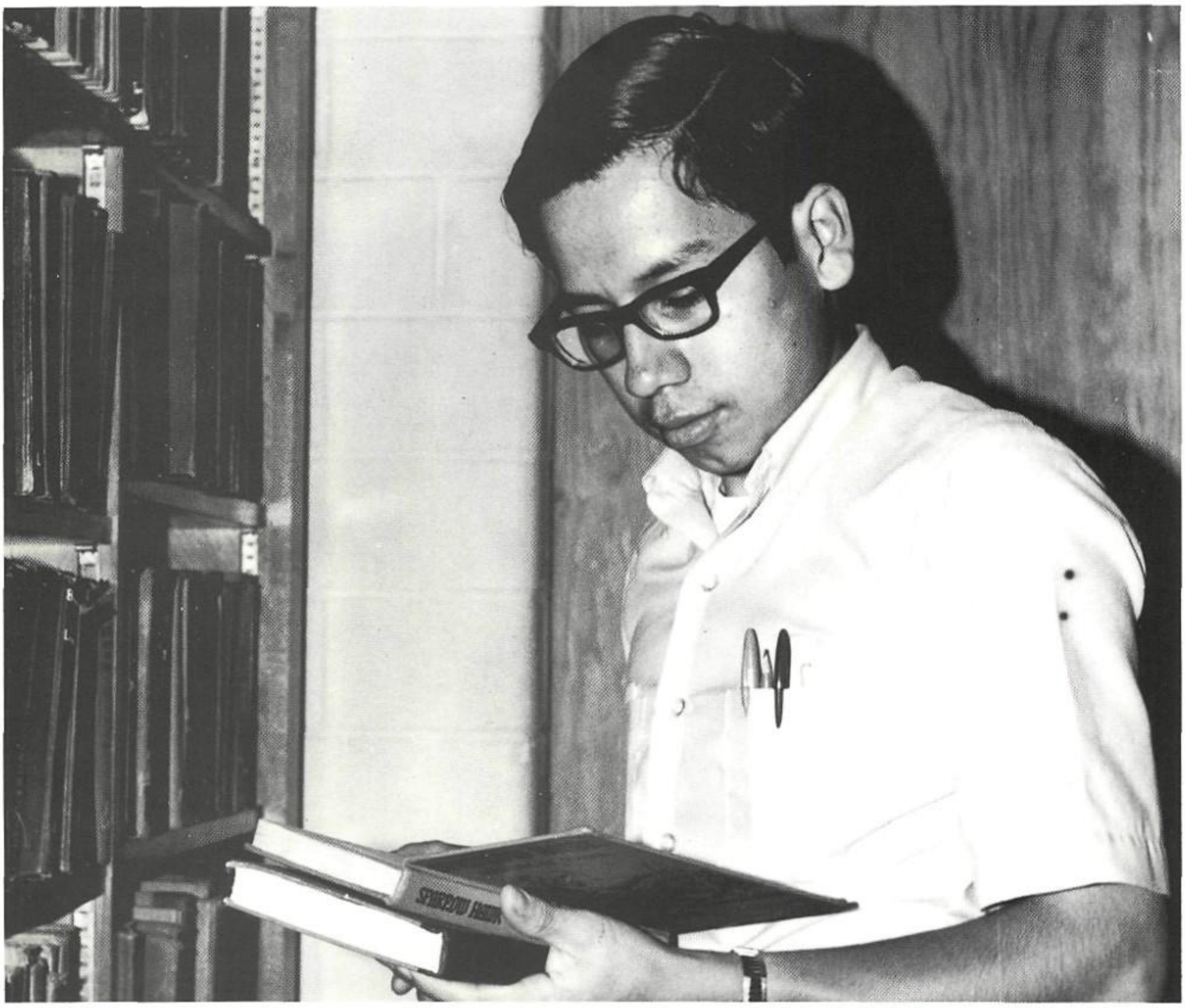


Distinguished Students

Salutatorian and member of National Honor Society. Participant in various UIL events and a member of F.F.A.

Ray Cisneros

The DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARD is the most highly coveted recognition bestowed upon students on the THS campus for distinguished and creative student activity. Given to those who render services to Taft High School beyond that which might be reasonably expected, the Distinguished Student Award often finds its way to students who work behind the scenes, serving the school consistently in many fields of endeavor. The selection is made by the faculty and students of sophomore classification. Selection is based on scholarship and attitude.

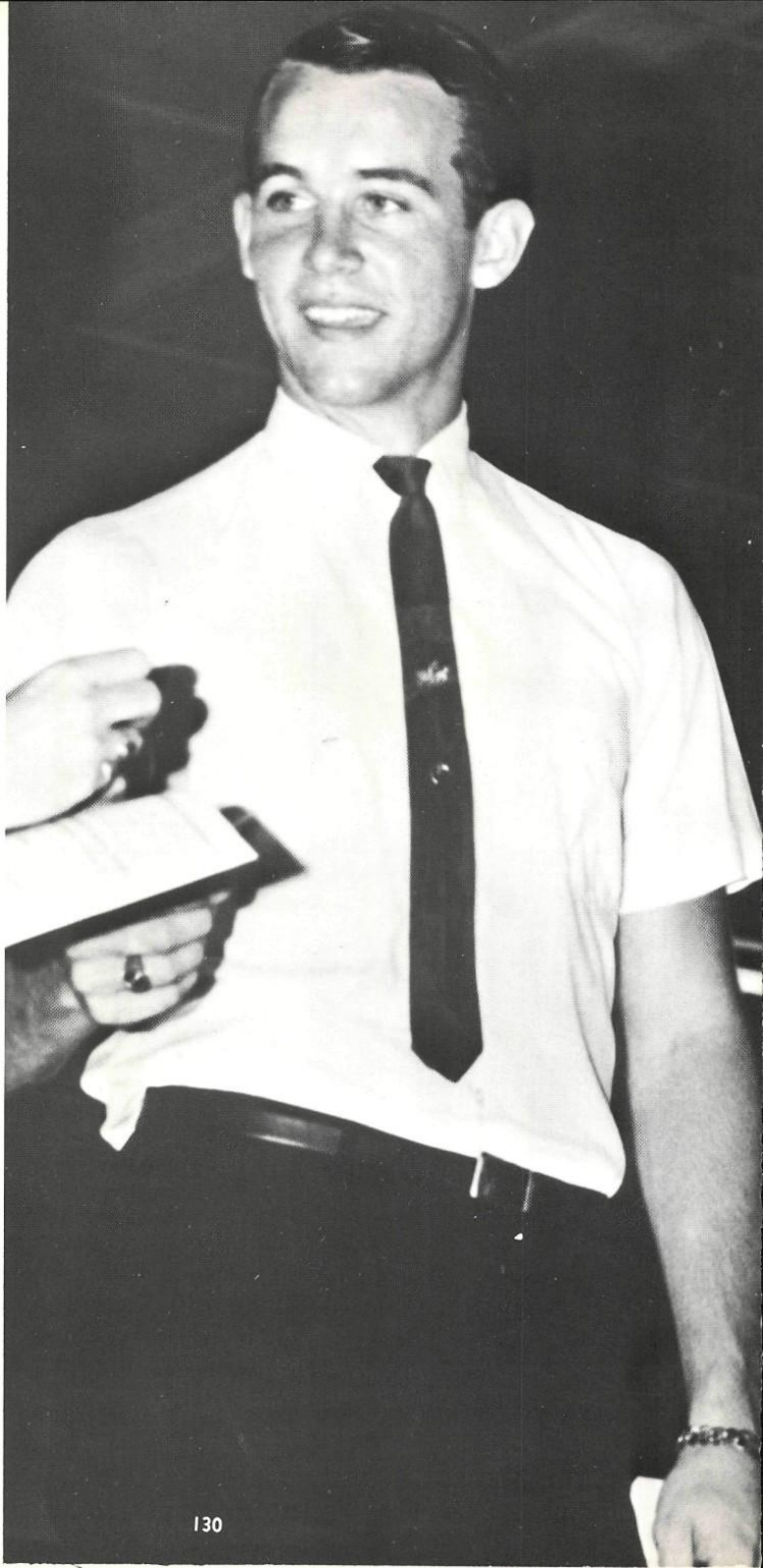


Valedictorian and participant in many UIL Speech events. Member of annual staff and National Honor Society. A twirler for the Greyhound Band 1966-67.

Ranell Titus

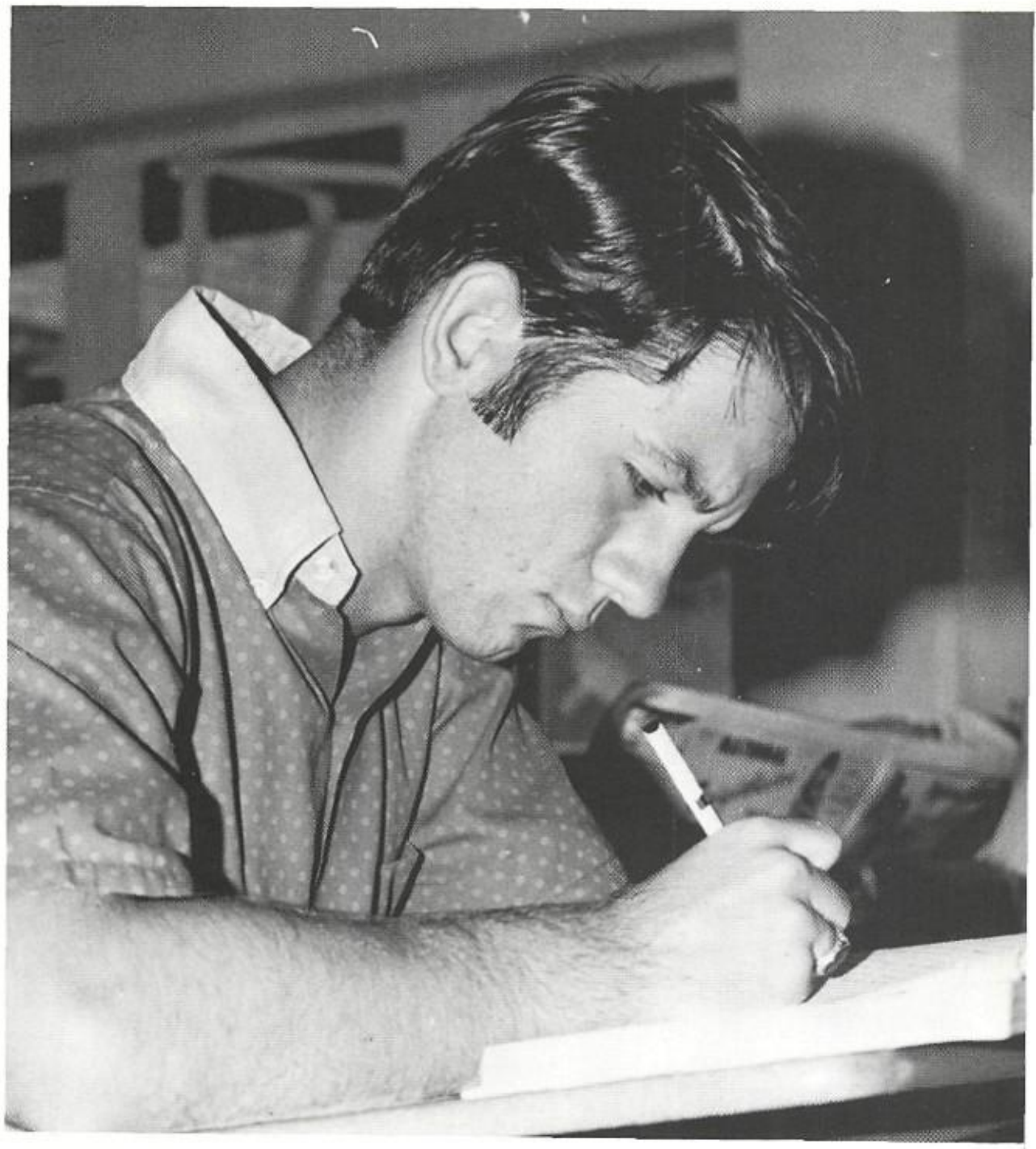
Steve Pullin

Student Council President, American Field Service Representative and Co-editor of Annual. Participant in: football, baseball, track and basketball. All-district in baseball. Member of: Student Council, Paper Staff, Annual Staff, Methodist Youth Fellowship, Science Club, and Quill & Scroll Society. A 1967 delegate to the Texas Association of Student Council's and chosen as the "Kiwanis Outstanding Underclassman 1967."



First American Field Service Exchange Student. Homecoming Queen and member of Pep Squad, Future Homemakers of America, Student Council and Newspaper.

Hildi Brattaaker



Kurt Wilson

Winner of the English Award and UIL Ready Writing Winner. A member of the Science Club, National Honor Society, and Methodist Youth Fellowship. Participant in various UIL and drama events.

Gloria Garcia

President of the Senior Class. President of CYO and President of "Los Graduantes". Participant in many local and area Catholic Youth Organization activities. A band and student council member.

Johnny Mayo

Outstanding Spanish Student. The only Sophomore chosen because of his outstanding Distinctions. A member of the 1968 District Championship Basketball team and Medalist in the district golf tourney. A member of the baseball team and the MYF.

Brenda Tims

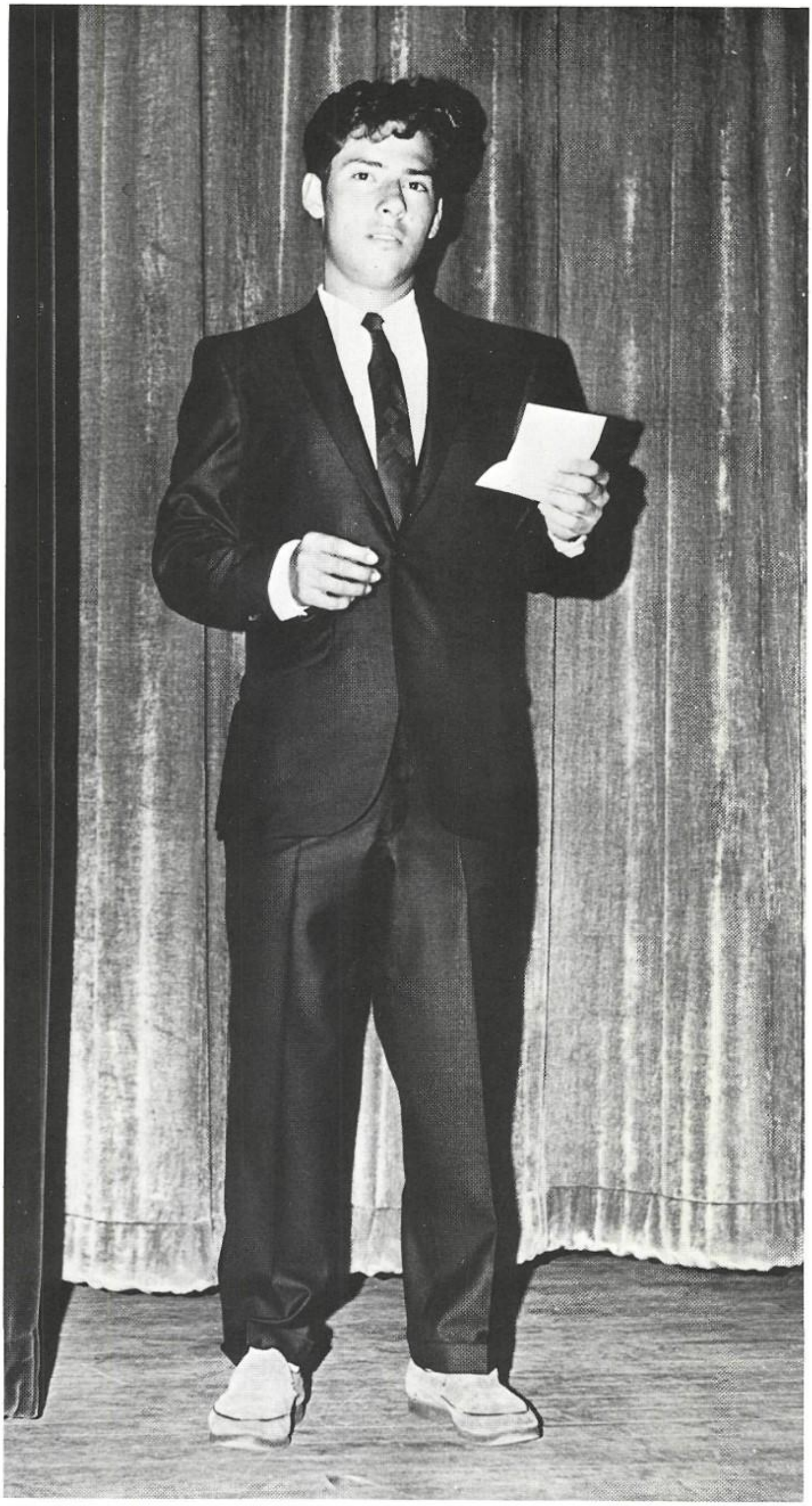
Regional and District band member and editor of the school newspaper. Member of: Science Club, Future Teachers of America, Annual Staff, Newspaper Staff and Quill & Scroll Society. Participant in: band, basketball, volleyball, UIL events and track.

Susan Threadgill

Junior Class President. Member and participant of Student Council, Spanish Club, Future Teachers of America, Quill & Scroll Society, Annual Staff, Paper Staff, CYO and elected to the presidency of the 1968-69 Student Council.

Jackie Tims

An outstanding artist. Jackie has participated in baseball, football and basketball and has painted much of the scenery for Drama production.



Joe Hernandez

UIL Extemperaneous Speaking winner of First Place at district and regional meet and fourth place at state meet. Participant in: Science Fair, Spanish Club, Student Council, Drama, Graduantes, District one-Act Play.

Raye Ann Bayless

Member of the basketball, track and volleyball teams. Member of Student Council, CYO, Science Club, Spanish Club and Future Teachers of America. Chosen by the Pan American Student Fourm to be a hostess at the HemisFair.

Participant in golf, football, basketball and Tennis. Member of the band, National Honor Society and MYF president. Arion Award winner.

Larry Ewald

Outstanding Vocational Agriculture Student. Participant in various FFA judging contest and baseball. Member of the Future Farmers of America.

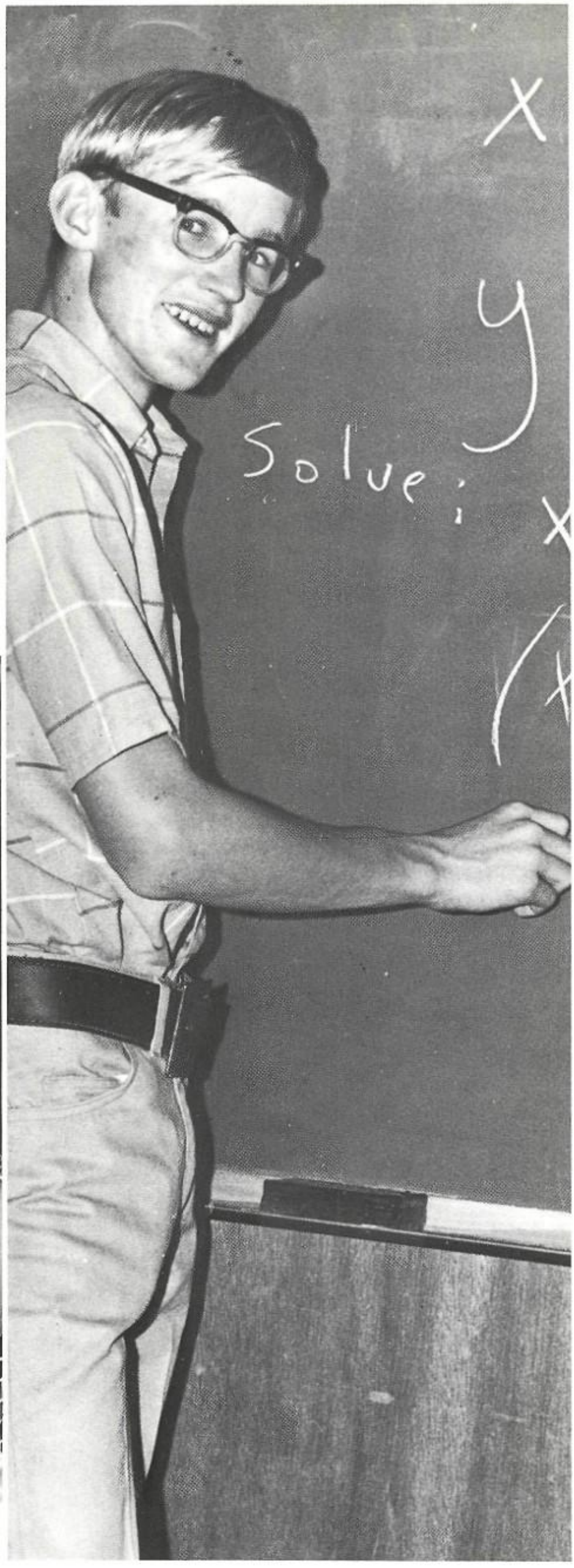
Kenneth Poenisch

Betty Koonce

Julia Pyle, County Fair double sweepstakes winner and third place in state "Make it With Wool Contest." Member of: Student Council, Future Homemakers of American, Pep Squad and Science Club. Participated in UIL contests, Science Fair and winner of the History Award.

Jean Swanson

Co-editor of Annual and President of Spanish Club. Member of: Annual Staff, PYF, Newspaper staff, National Honor Society, Science Club, and Student Council. D.A.R. Good Citizen Award, Kiwanis Outstanding Underclassman Award and delegate to the Texas Association of Student Councils.



Gary Moody

Vice president of Student Council and an American Outstanding Teenager. Member of Student Council, MYF, Science Club, and Drama. Participant in: football, track, district one-act play, state Student Council delegate, and UIL Literary events.

Nancy Bray

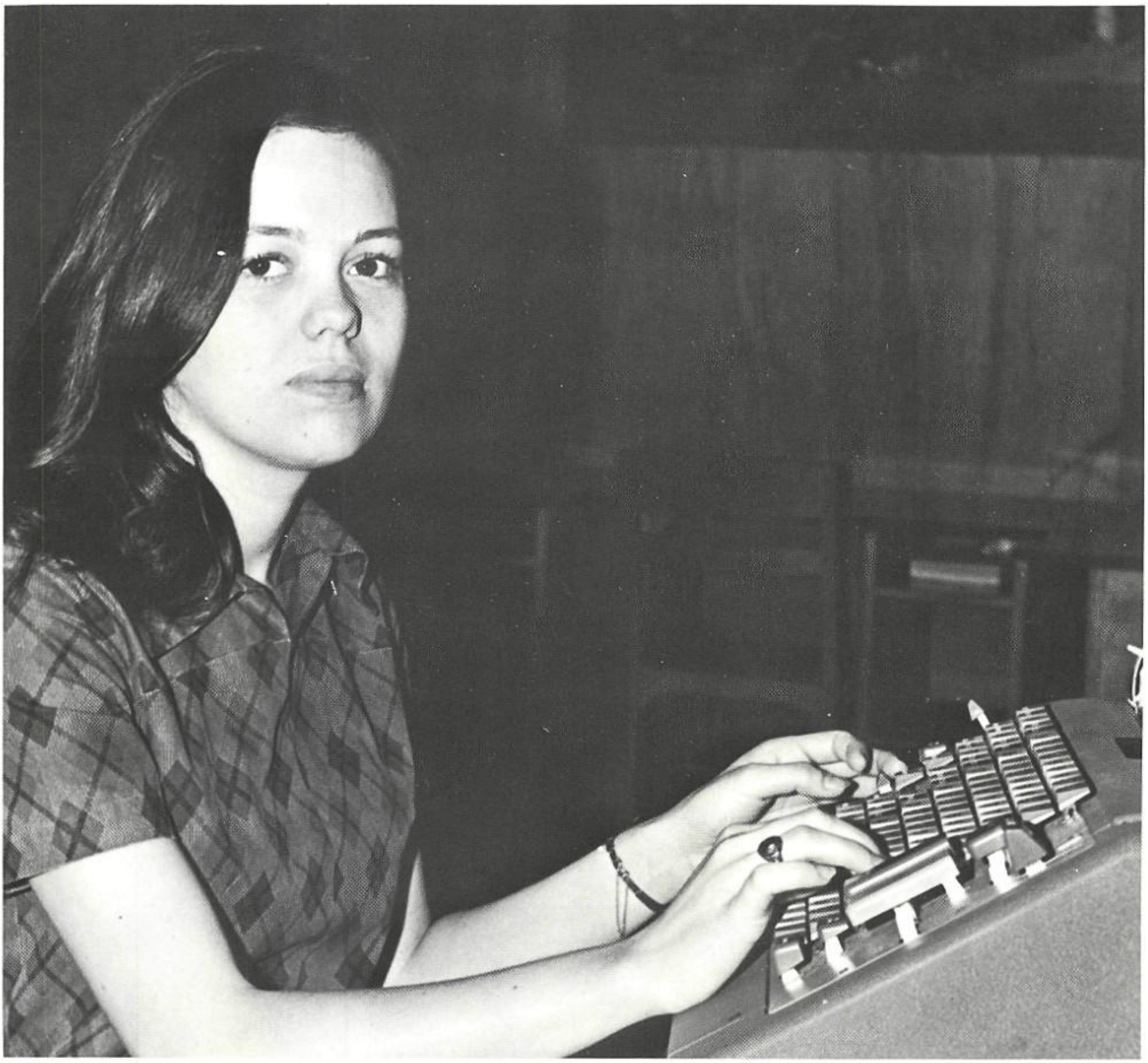
Head Cheerleader, vice-president of band, and organist for the Baptist Church. A member of: Future Teachers of America, Spanish Club, Science Club and National Honor Society.

Humberto Cruz

A member of Vocational Industrial Clubs, Electrical Trades. Chosen Most Handsome and a member of the Catholic Youth Organization.

Participant in the Vocational Office Education program. Member of the Student Council, Pep Squad and National Honor Society. Vice president of the National Honor Society and the Junior Class.

Olga Perales



Student Body

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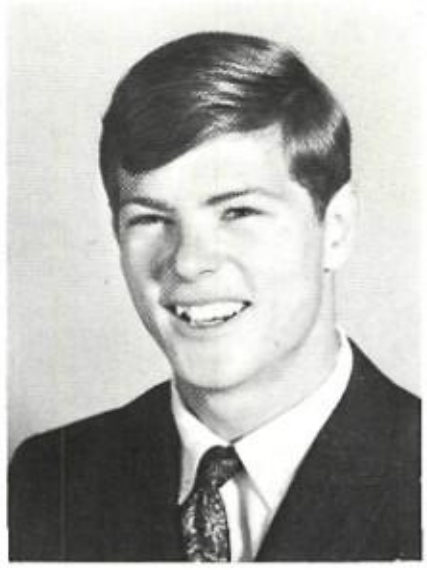

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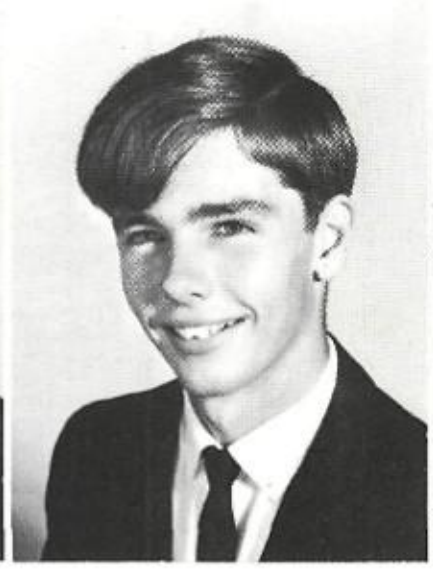

PAT DOWNEY

KAREN DOZIER

After Twelve Years, We're Finally Seniors

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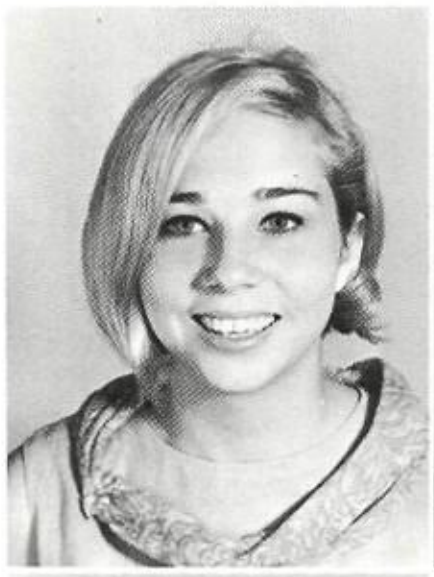

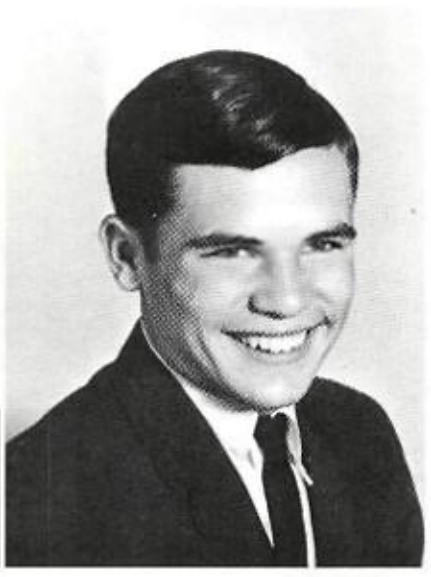

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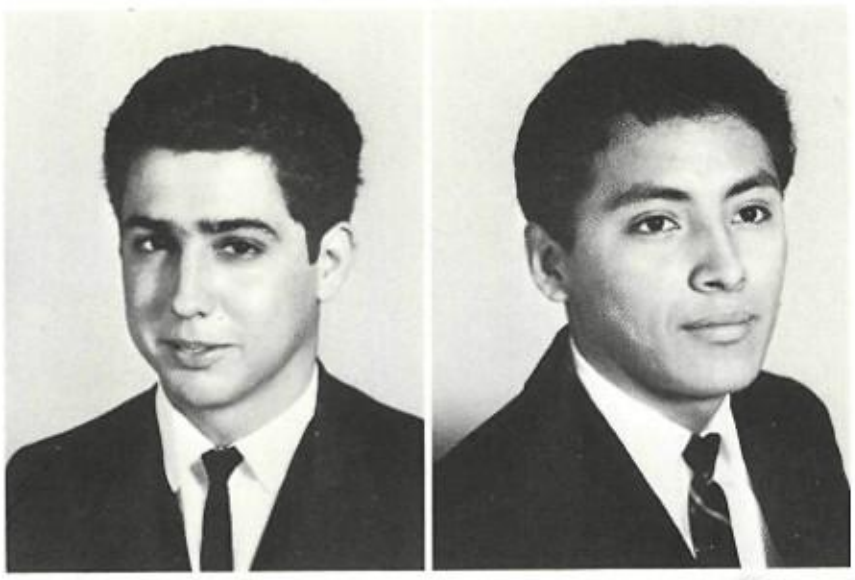

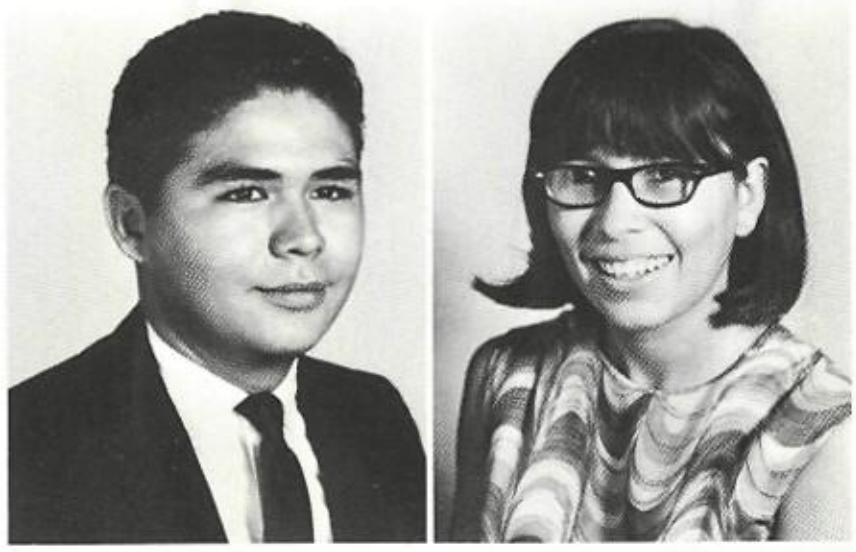

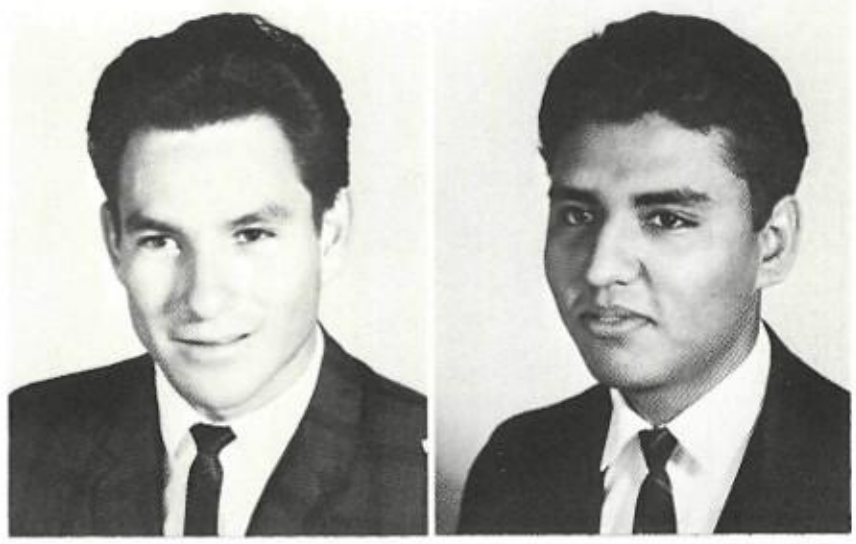

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ALFONSO GUAJARDO

JANIE GUERRA

Midterm Exams Spoil New Years Resolutions

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ISABEL HERNANDEZ

JOE HERNANDEZ

ROEL HERNANDEZ

VIRGINIA HERNANDEZ

JOSEPH HICKEY

ALMA JAIME

LINDA JIMENEZ

ALLEN JONES

Seniors Struggle Through a Battery of Tests

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KENNETH MUTCHLER

TERESA MONTES

MARY NARVAEZ

RAMON LOPEZ

ANDREW McLENDON

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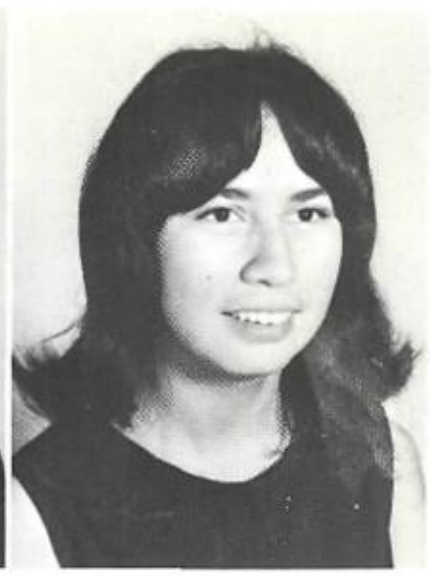

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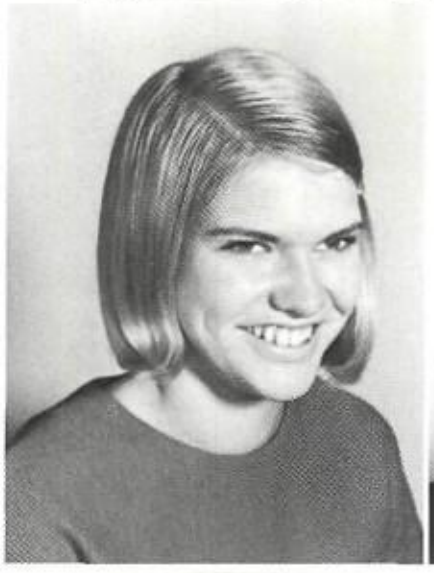

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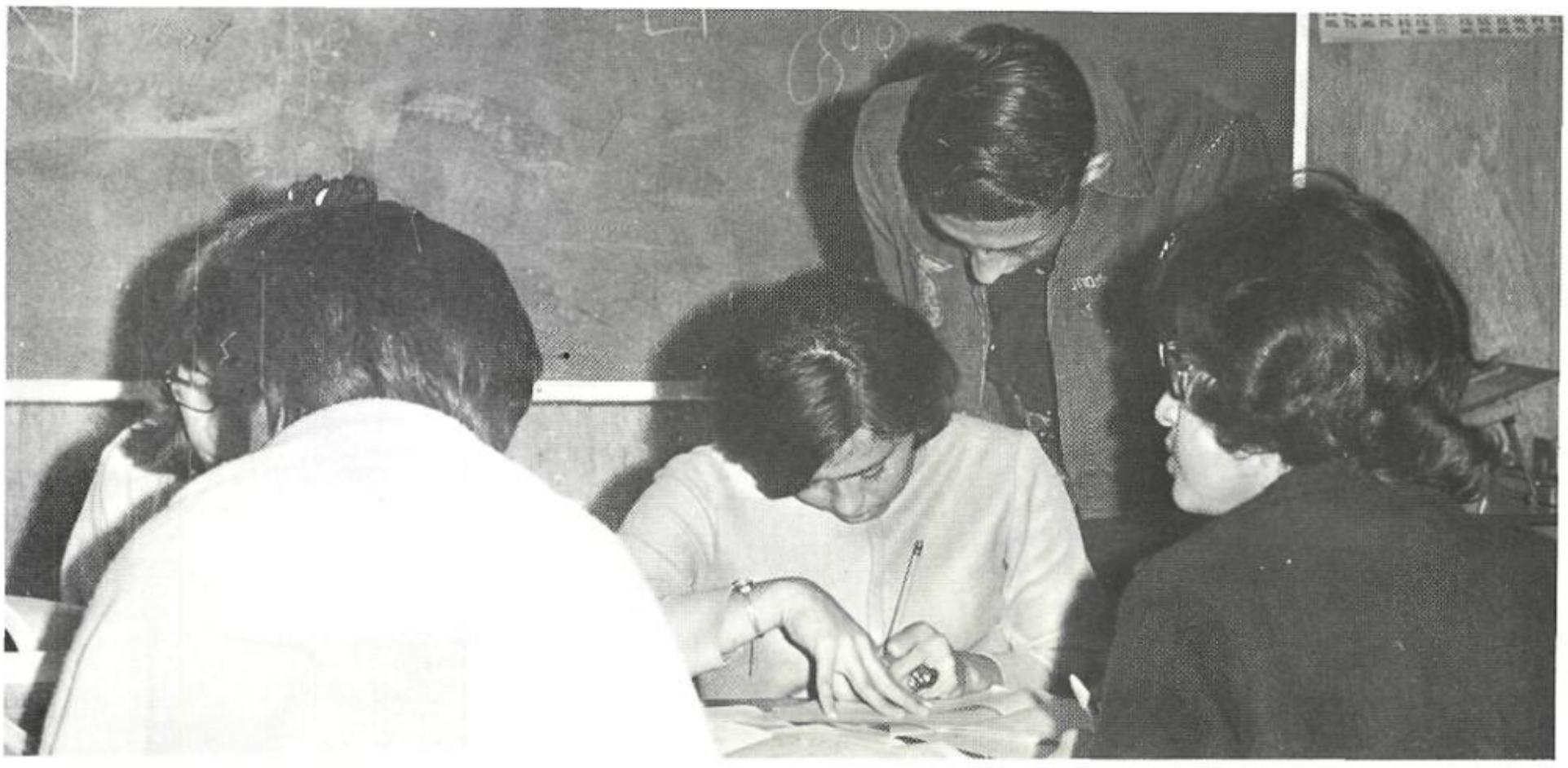

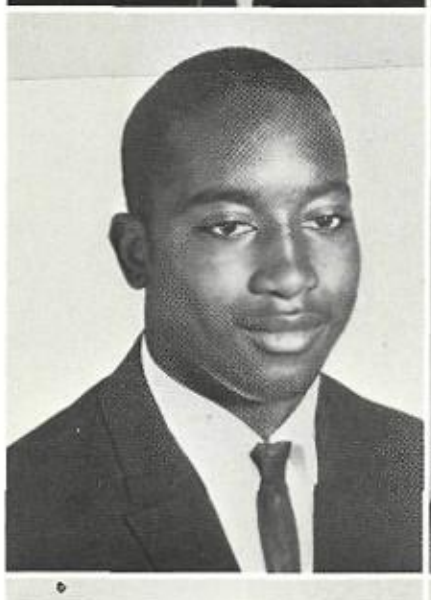

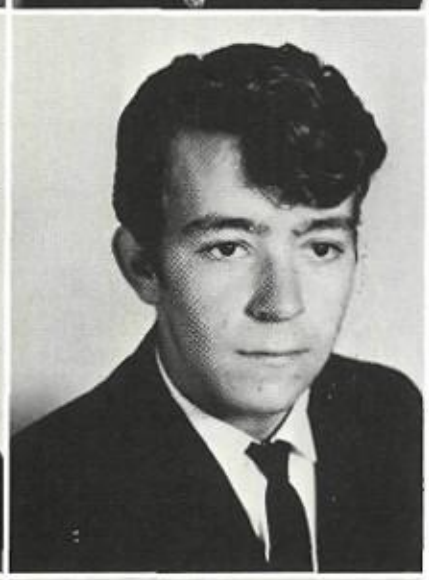

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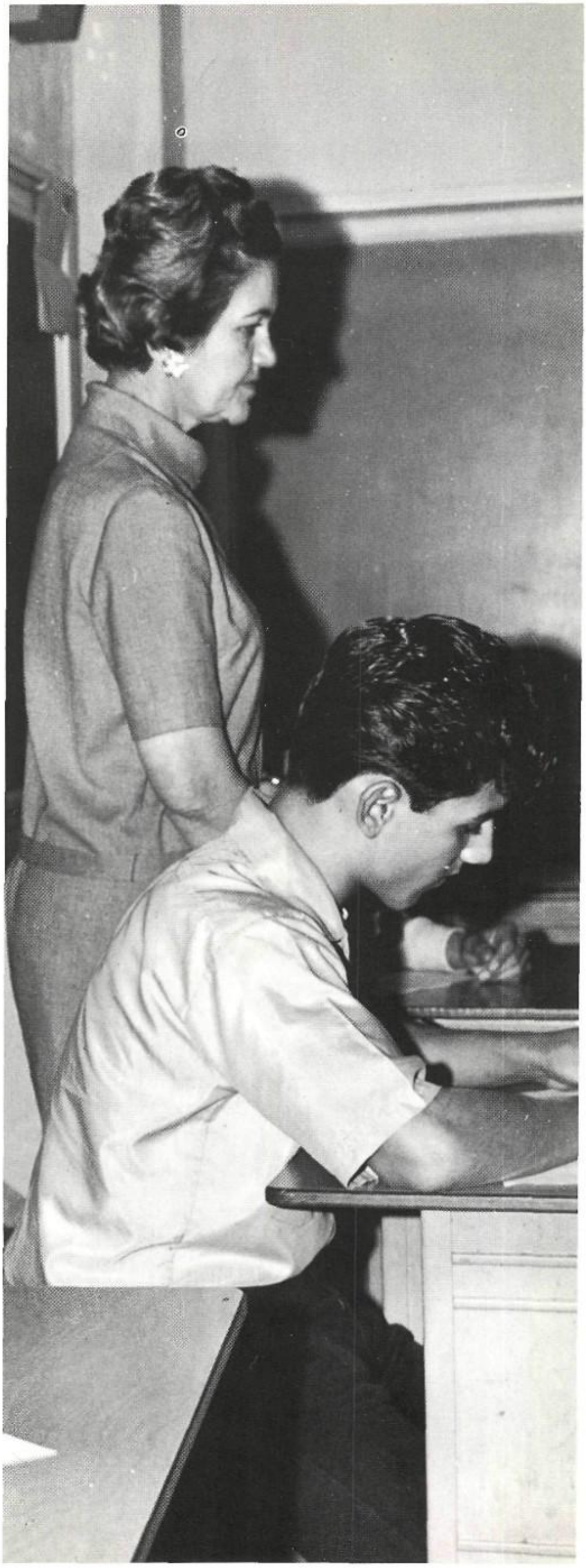

As Graduation Wears, Year's Events Fade

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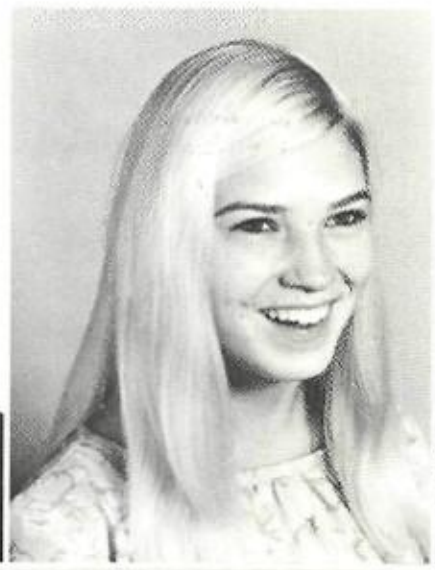

Juniors

SUZAN THREADGILL - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - President
MARGIE FIGUEROA - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Treasurer
CHERYL PHILLIPS - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - Vice President
ANNE AYERS - Secretary

Juniors Look Forward to Senior Year

Tony Acosta
Anne Ayers
Annette Brezina
Abel Cisneroz

Jose Aldape
Alan Houston Barker
Lydia Bustos
Bill Cleveland

Pete Arnold
Raye Anne Bayless
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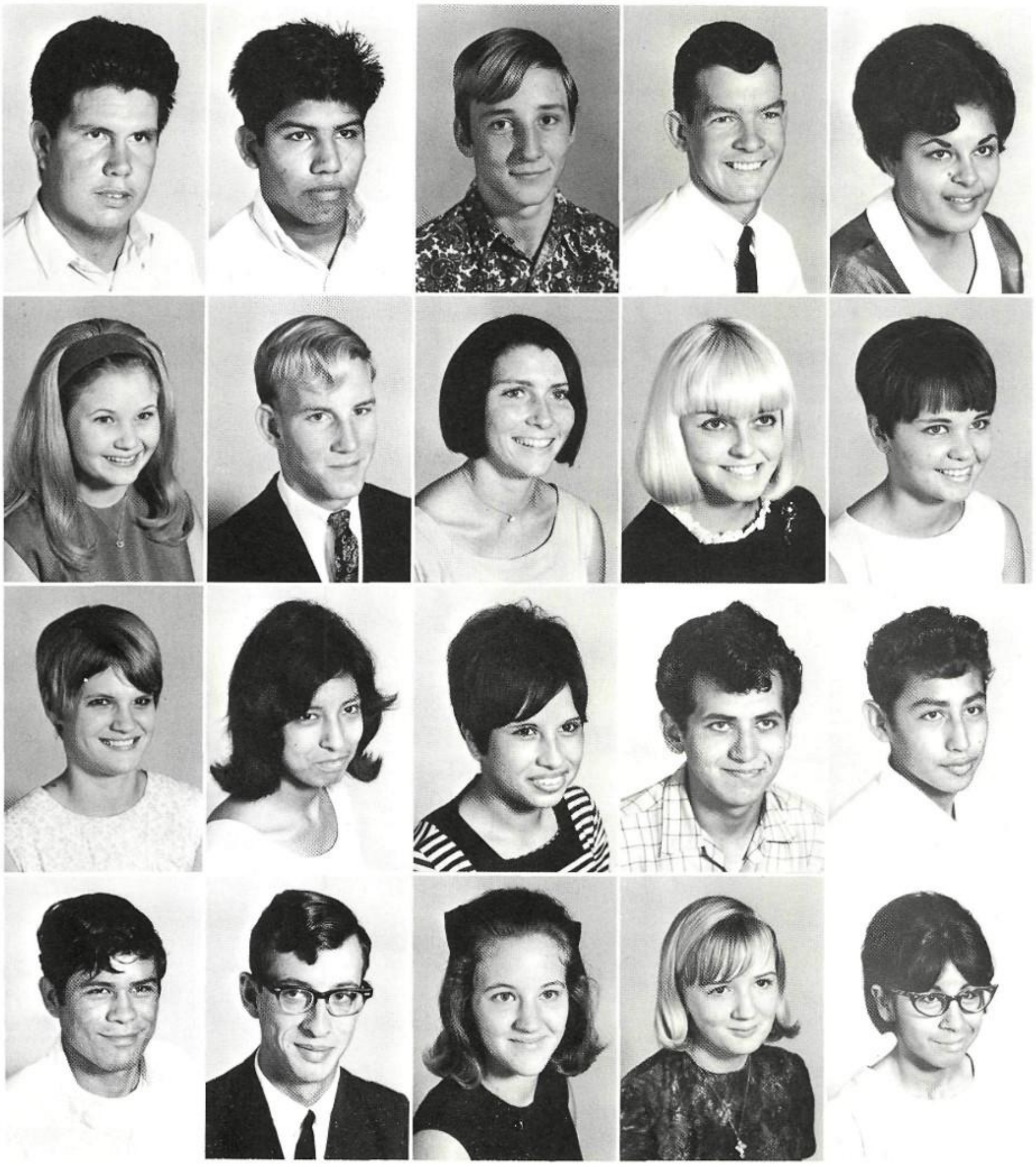

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Lydia Diaz
Frank Charles Eldrige

Frank Erhard
Beatrice Erskine
Clarence Edward Fennel
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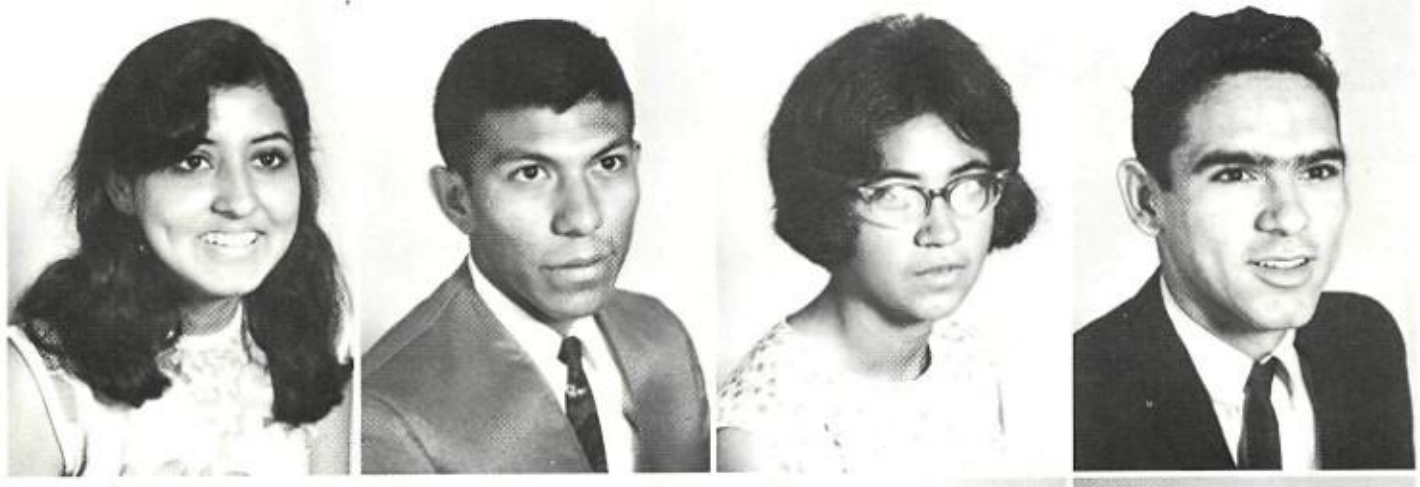
Angelita Garcia
Frank Garcia



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Roy Garcia

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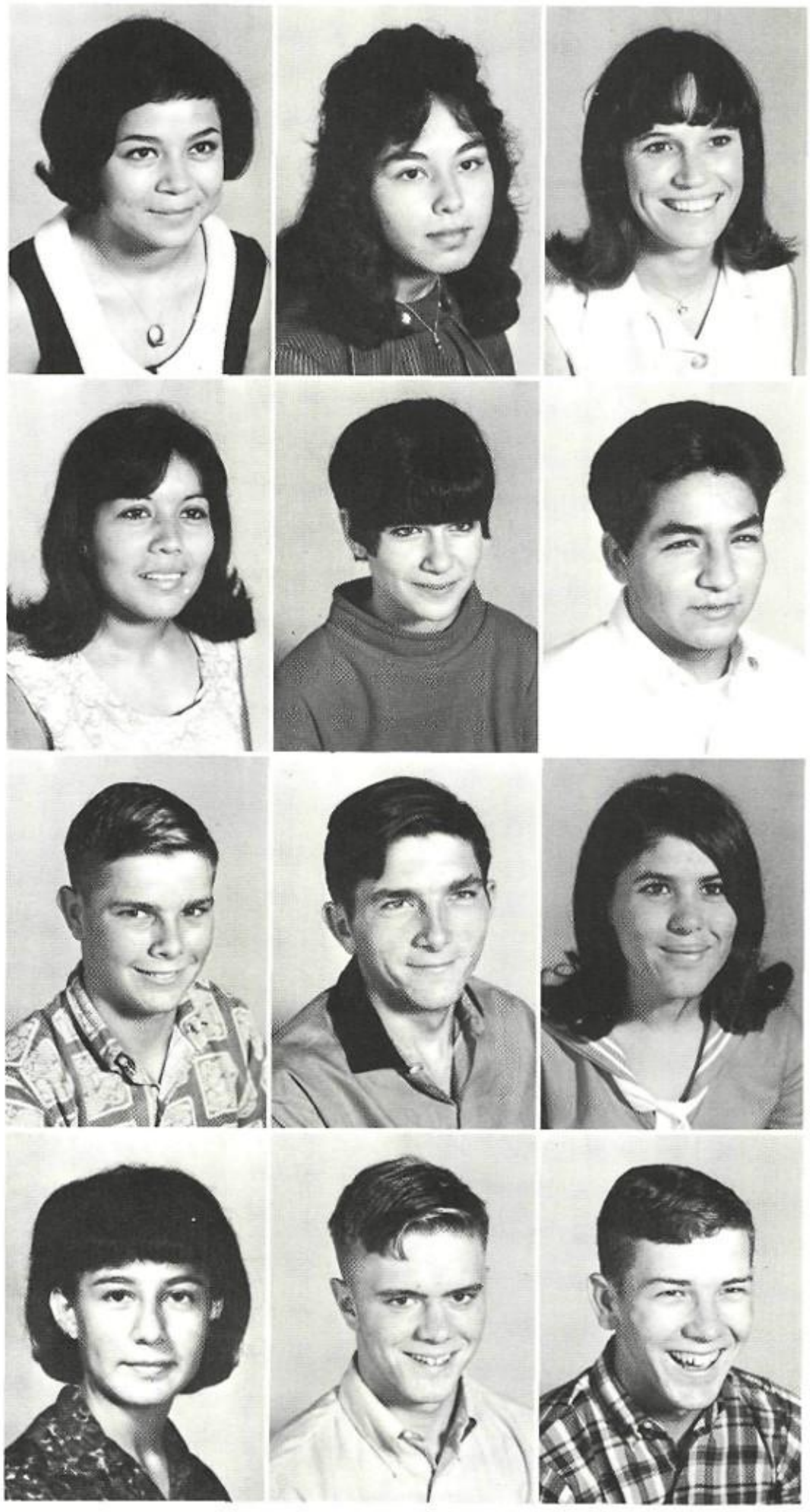

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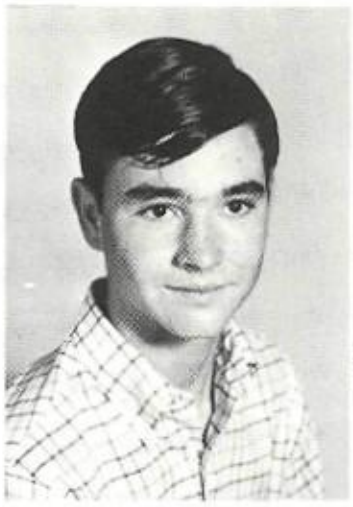
Juniors Add to School Spirit



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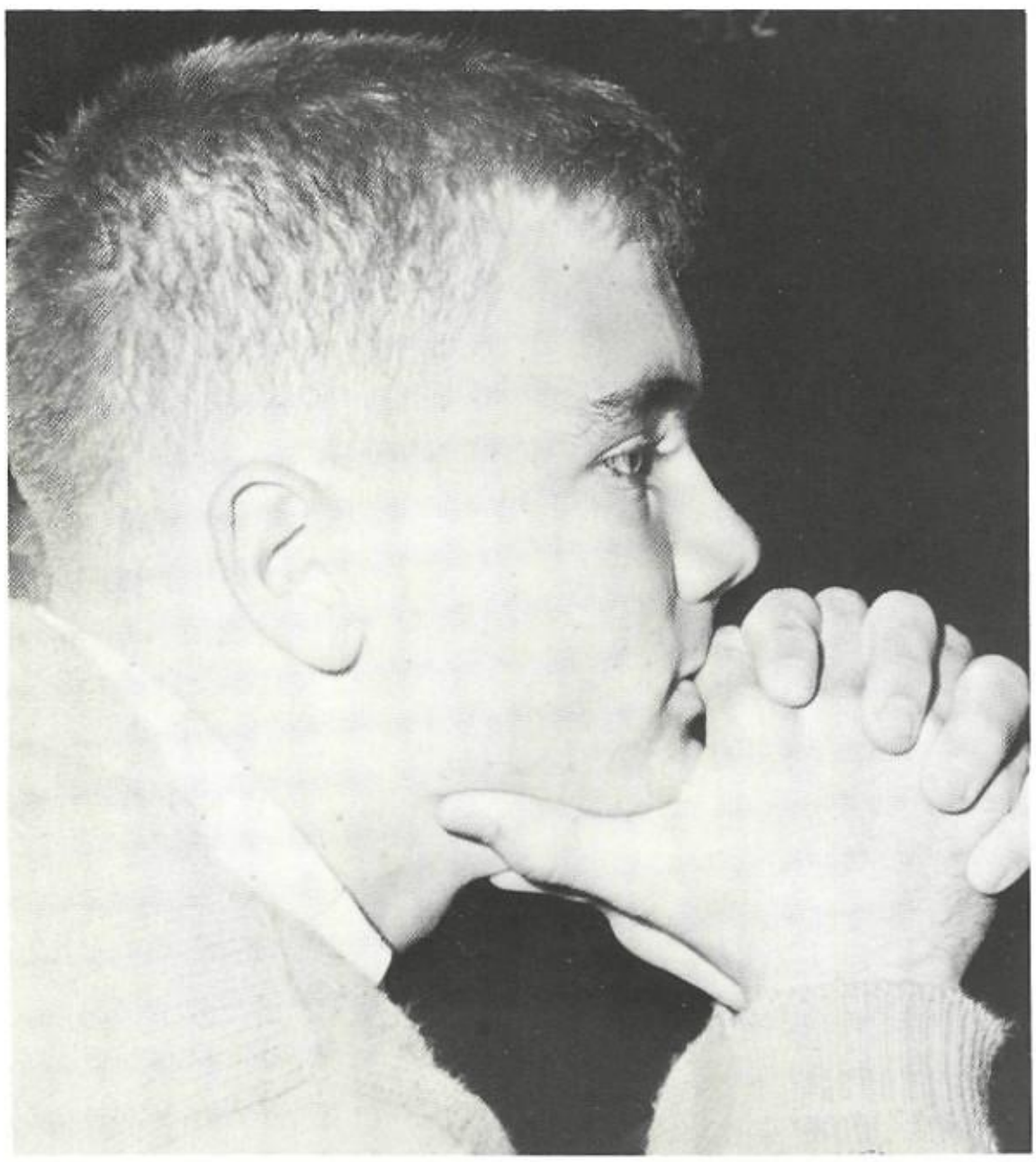

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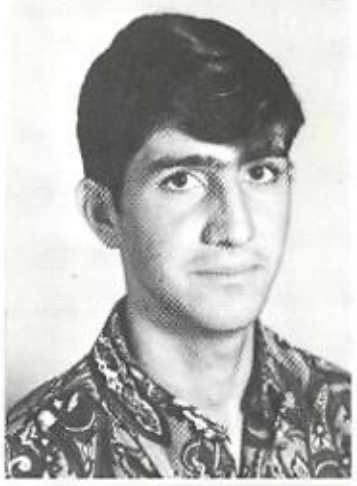

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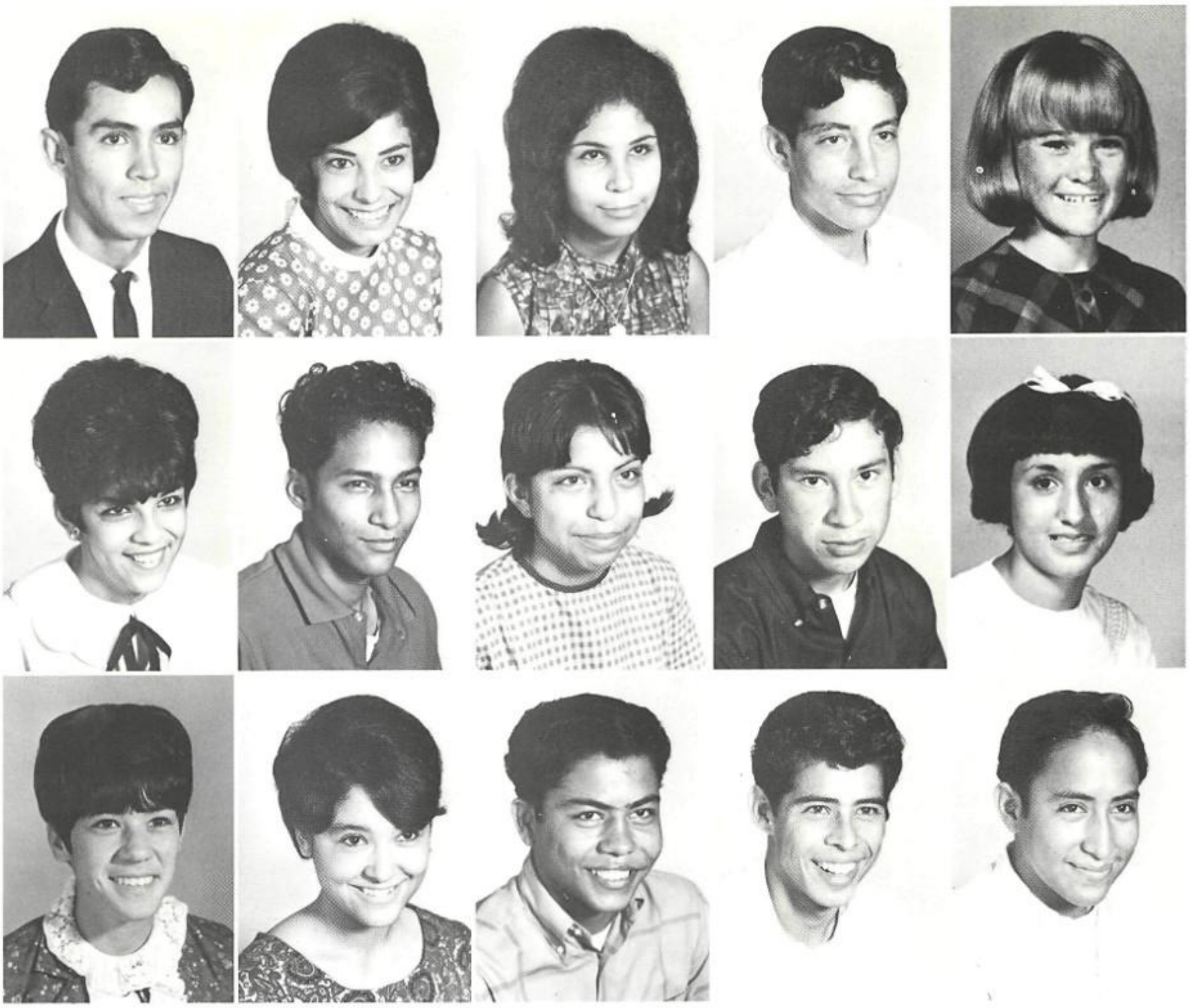

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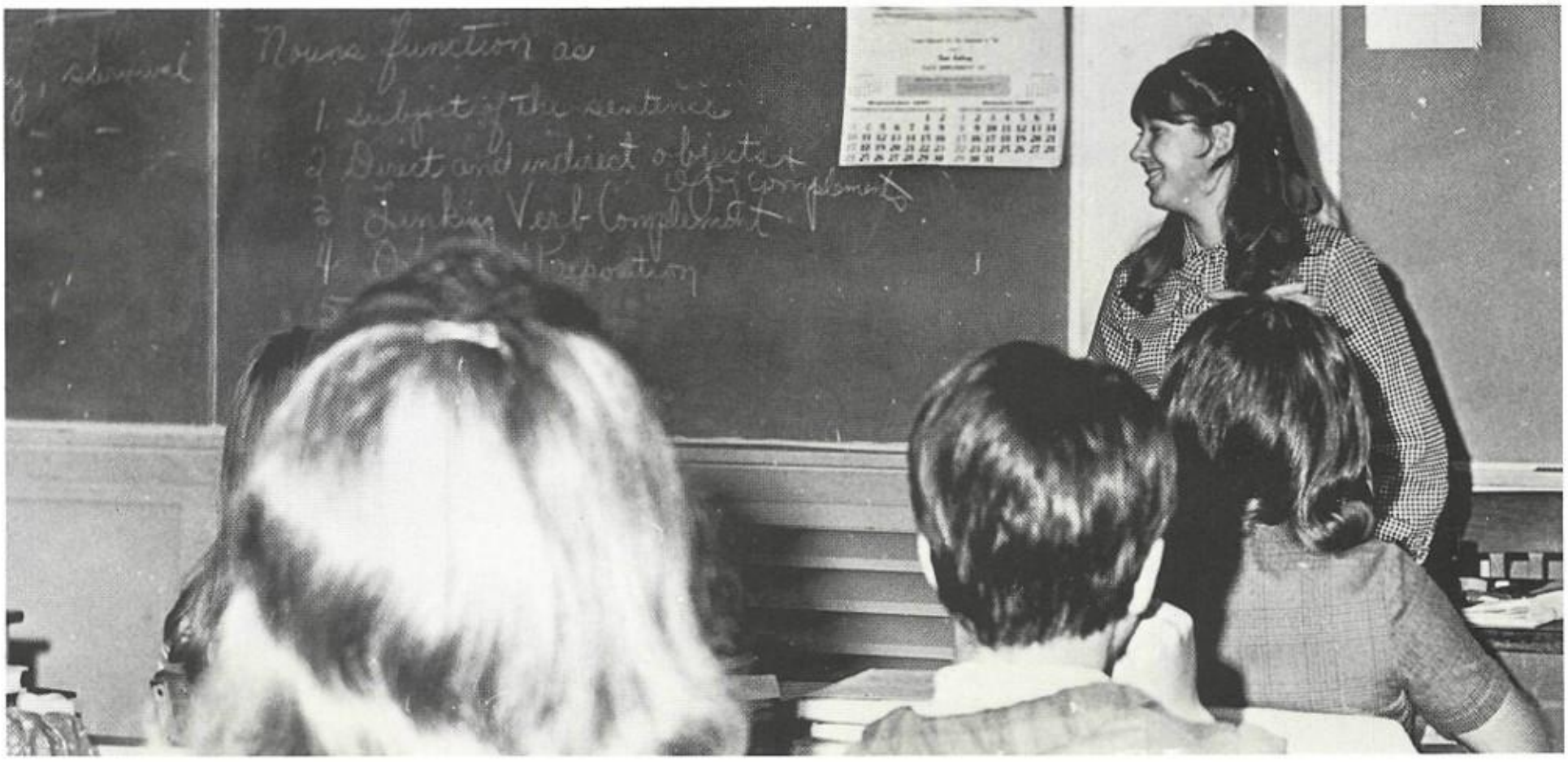

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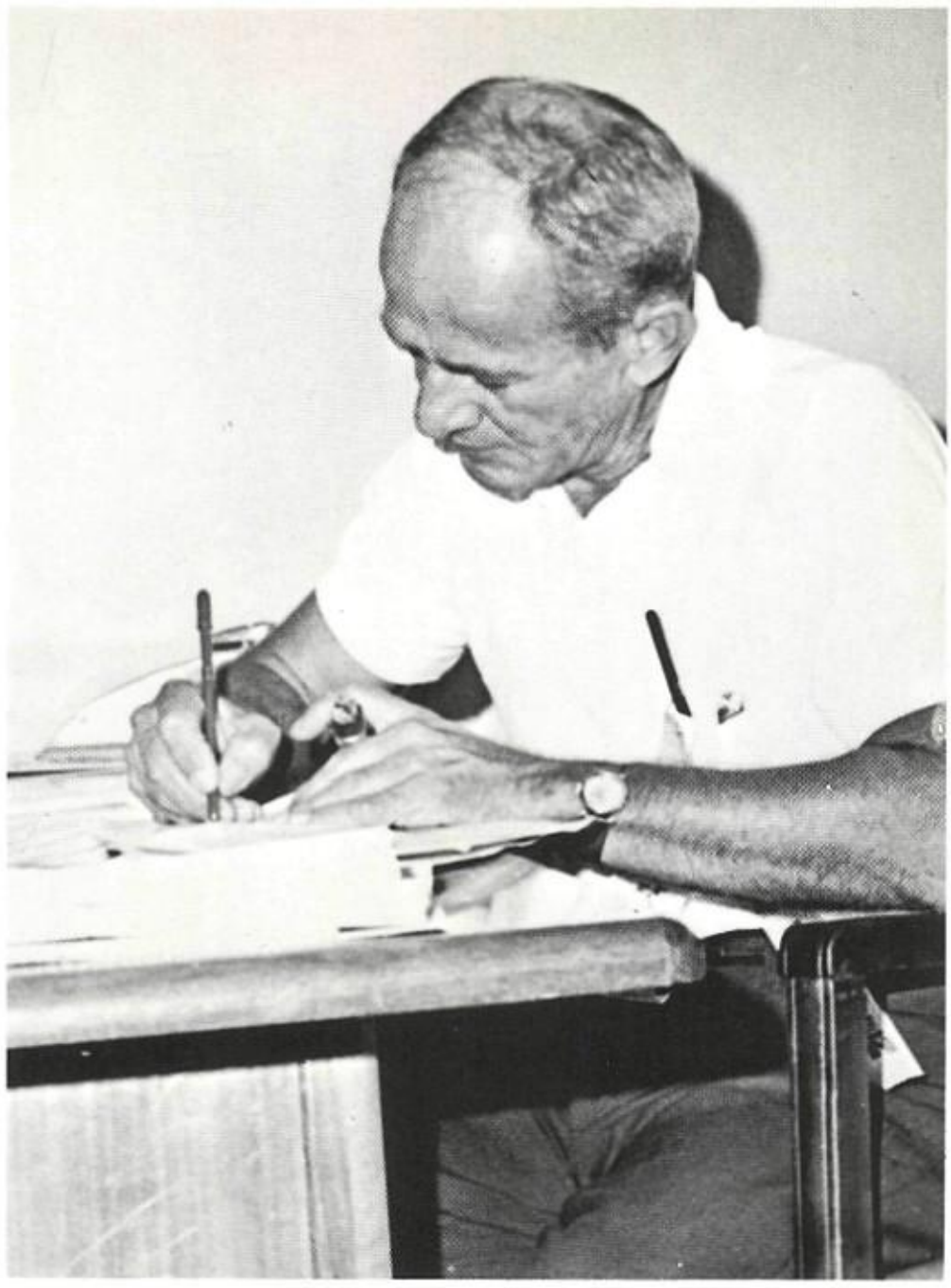

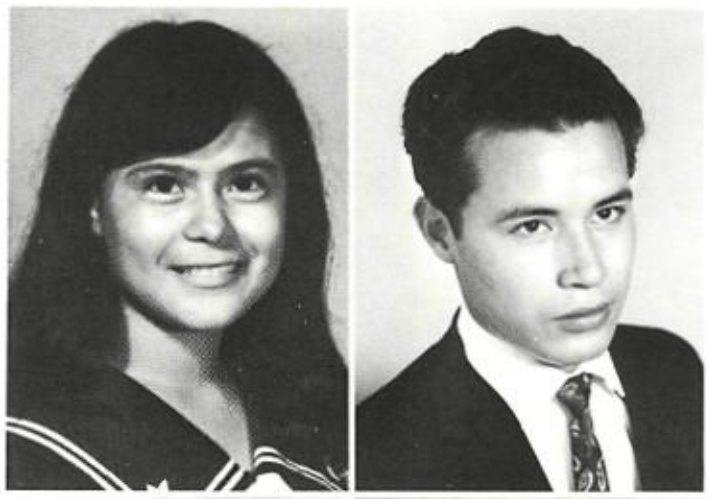

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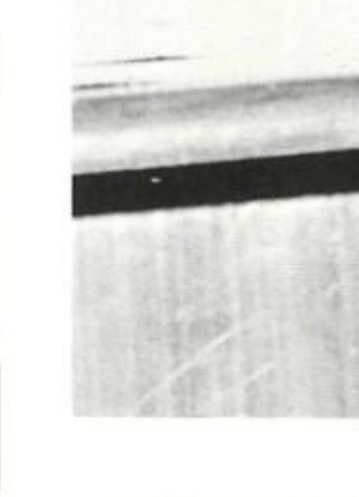

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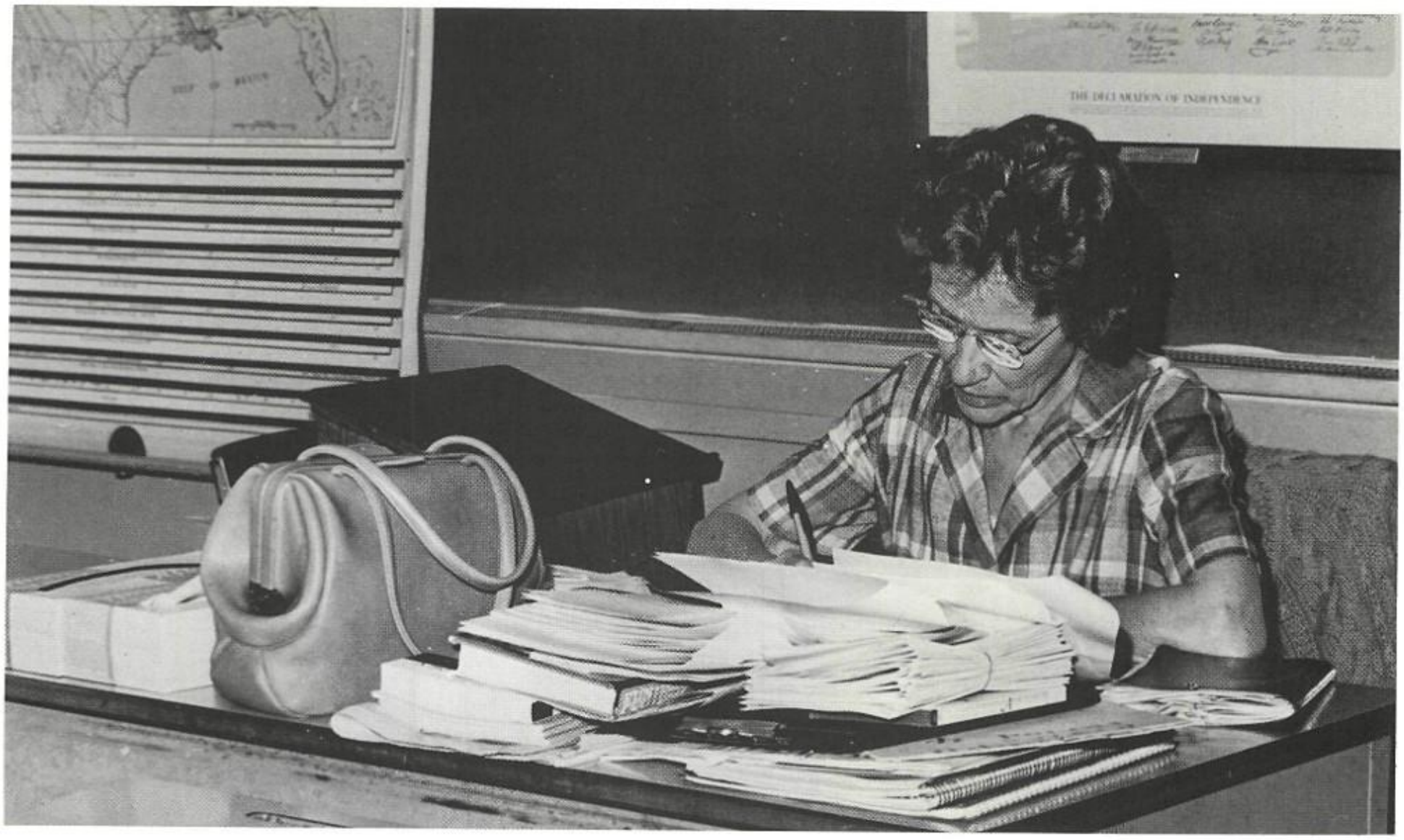

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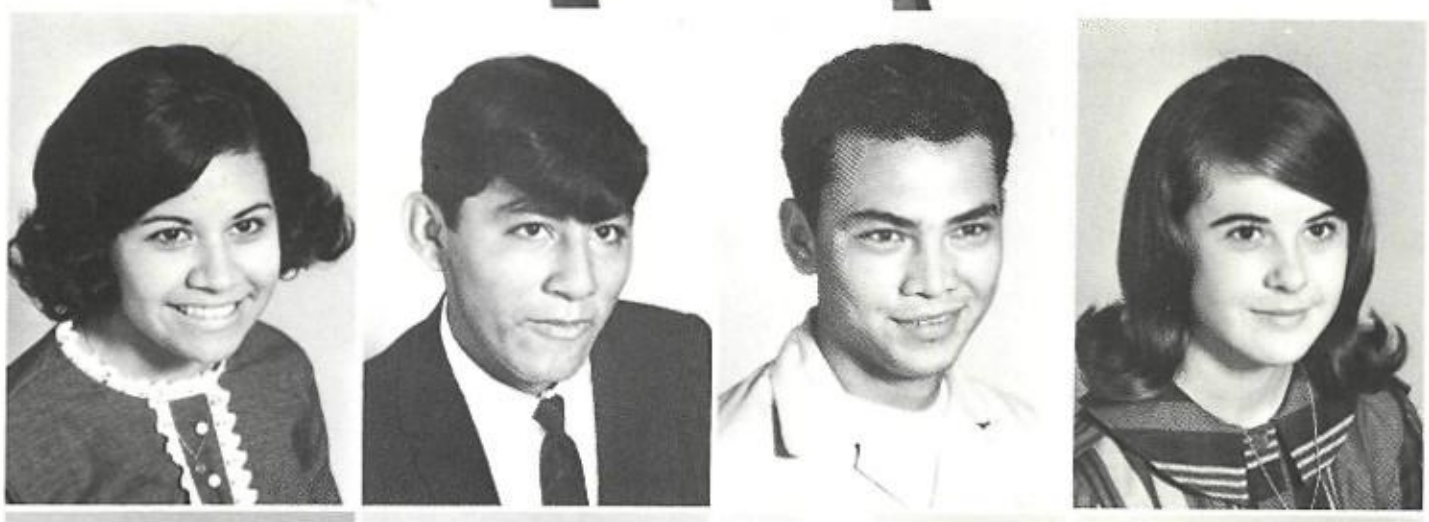

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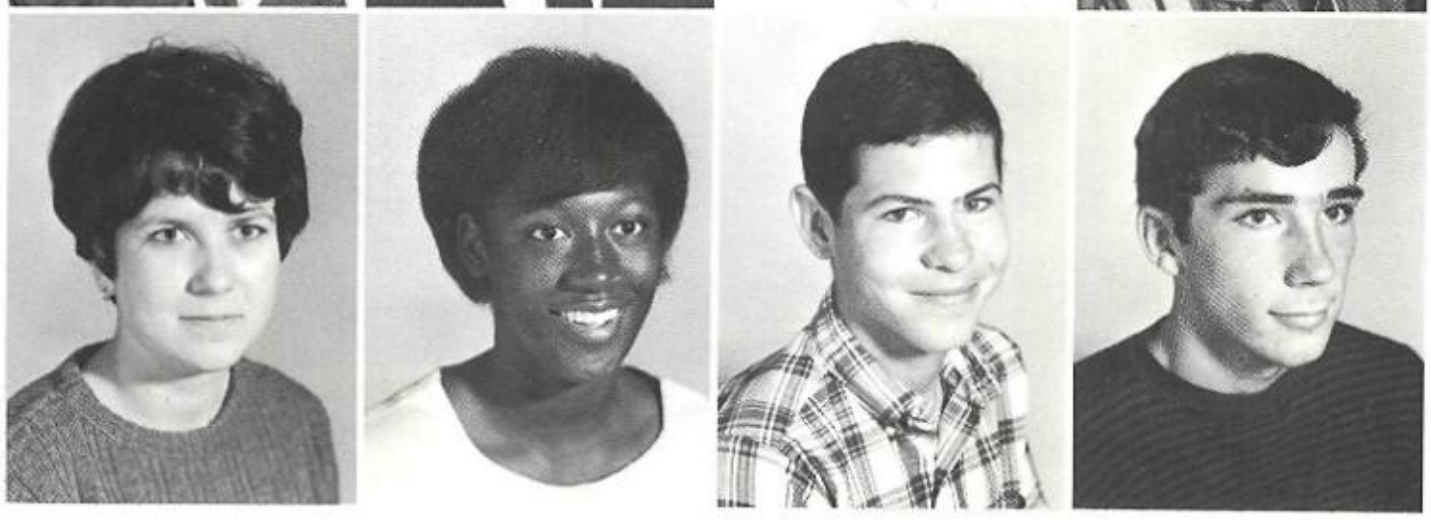

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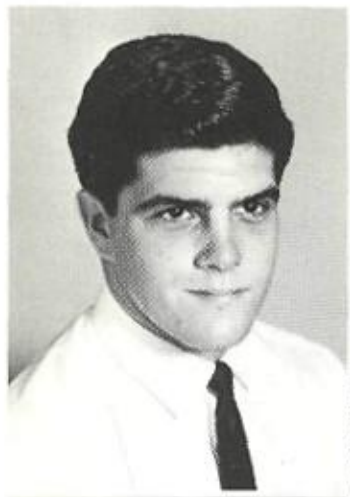

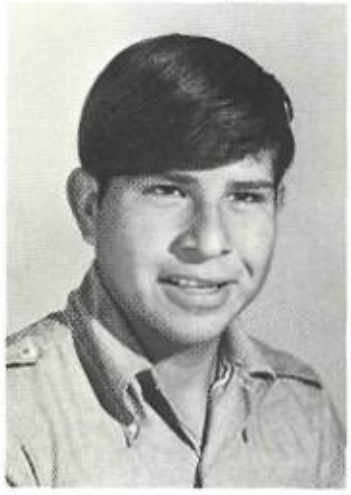

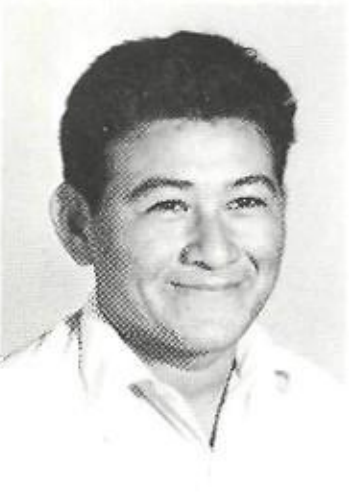

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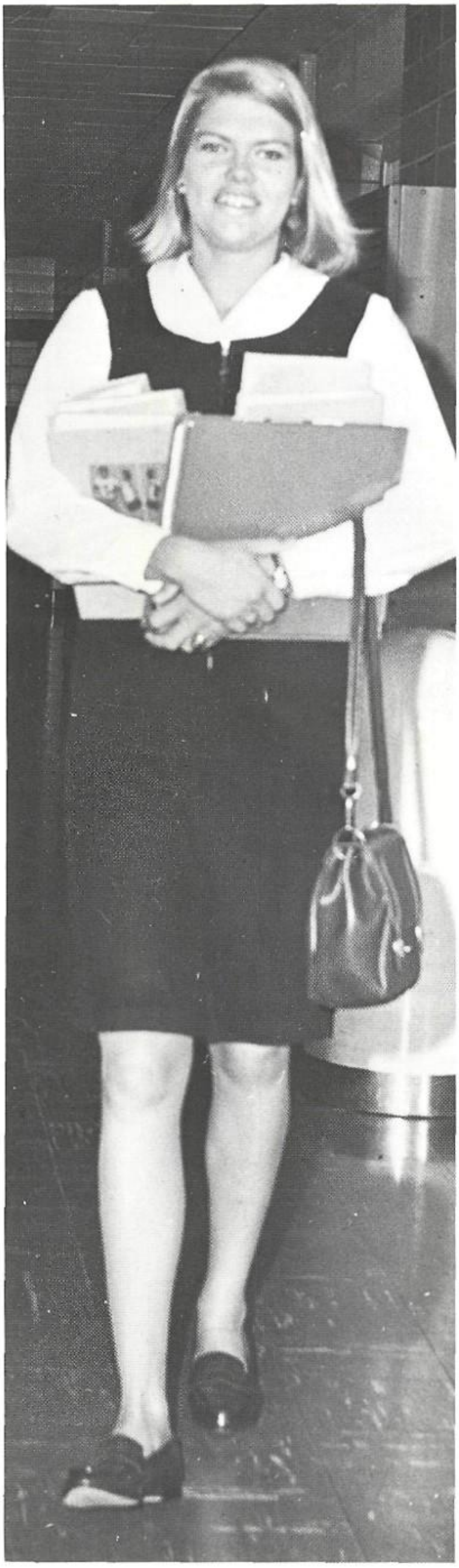

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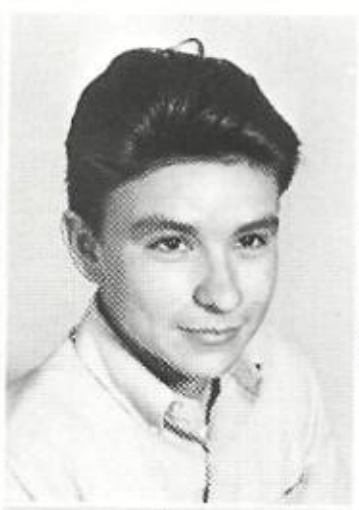

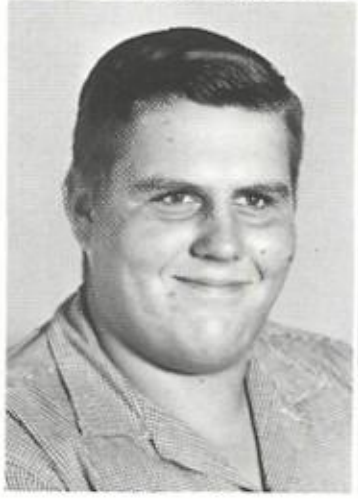

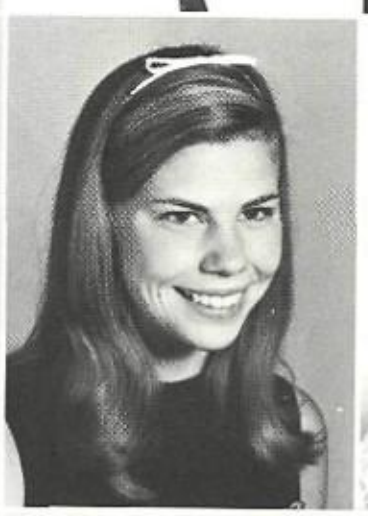

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Nancy Townsend
Raymond Ybarra

Cheryl Shelburne
Ernest Syma
Betty Jean Wallace
Evangelina Yglesias

Sophomores

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JOYCE ROTZLER - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - President
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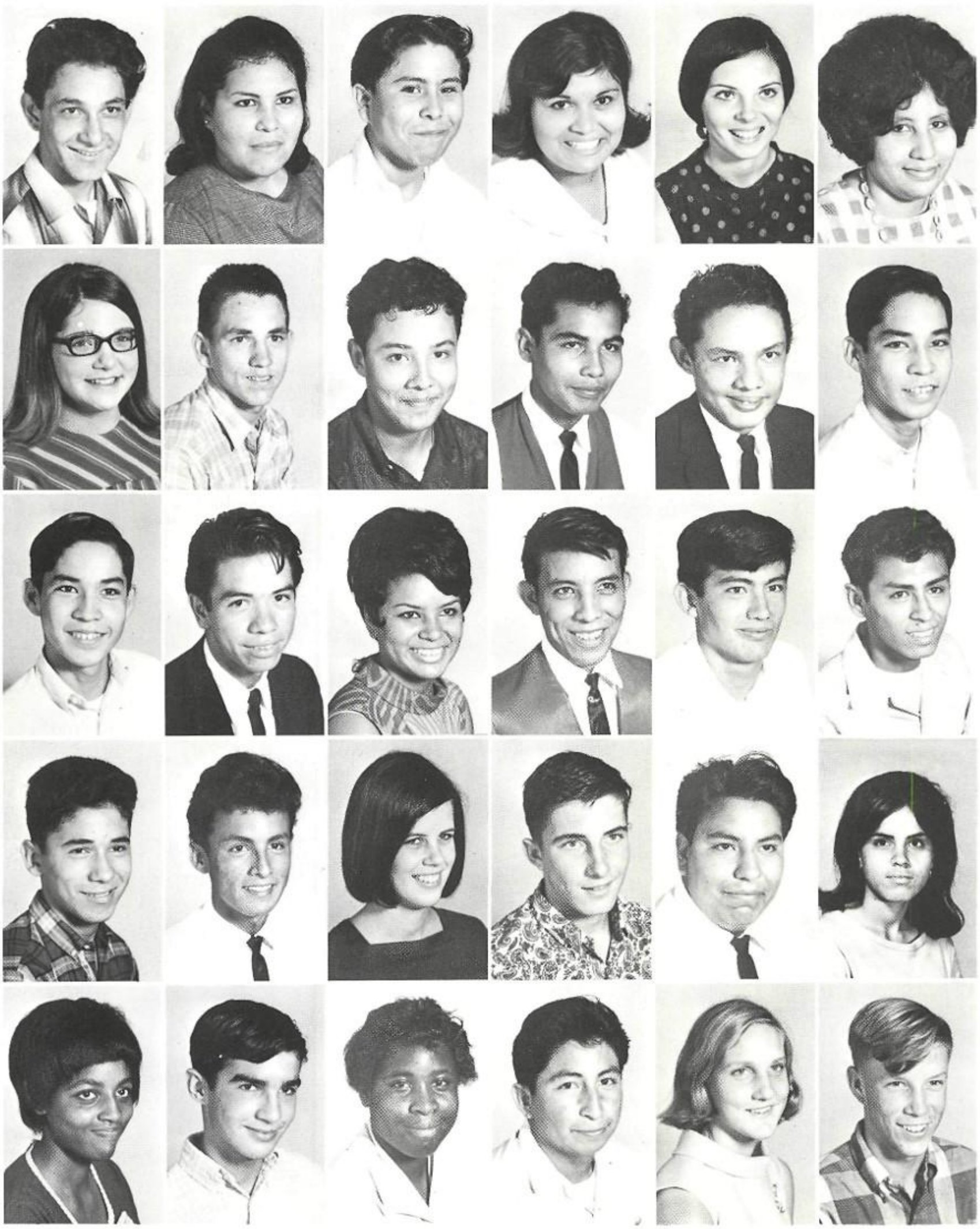

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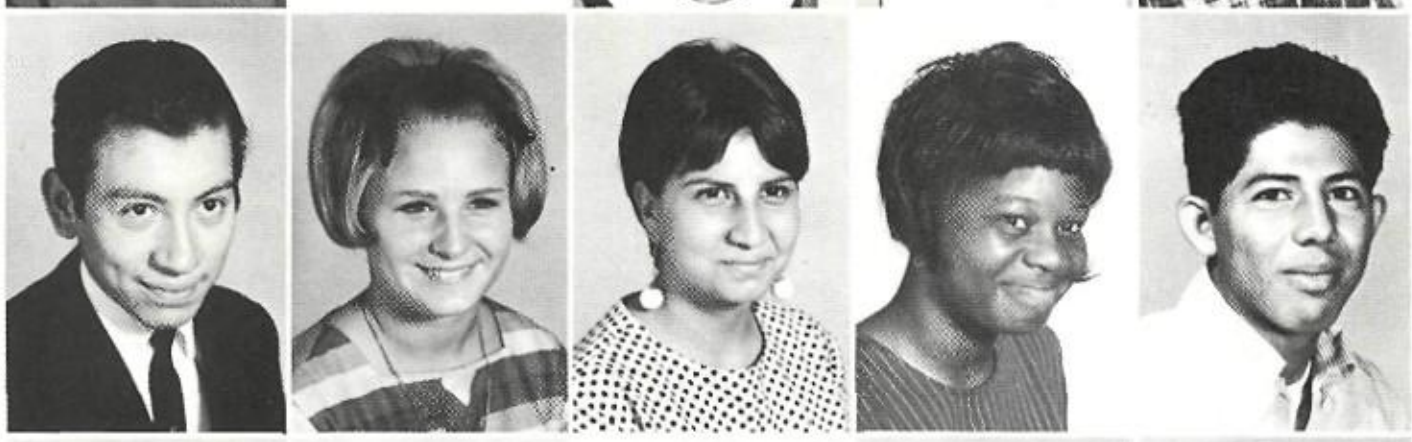

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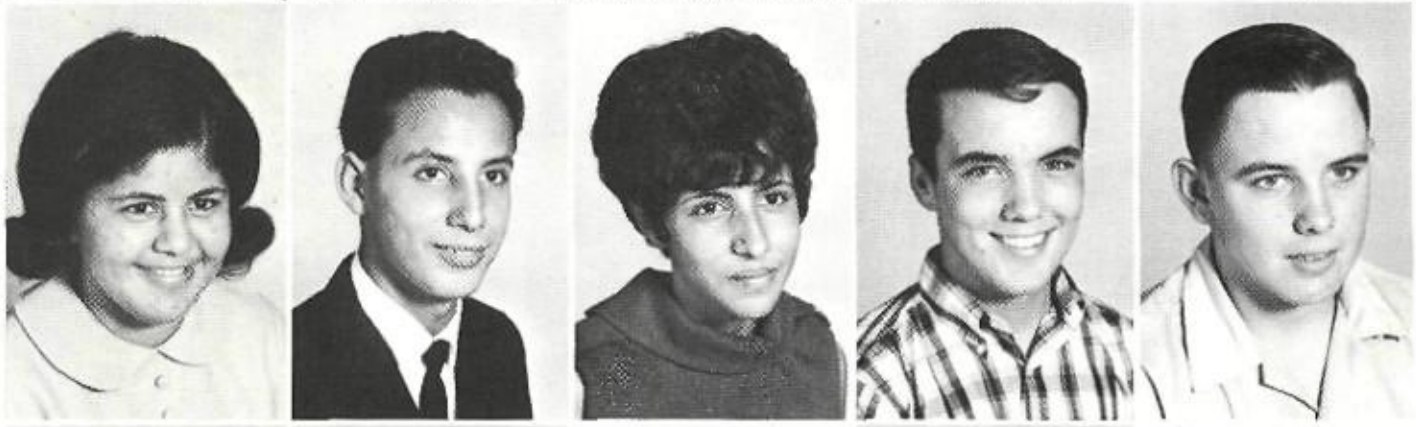

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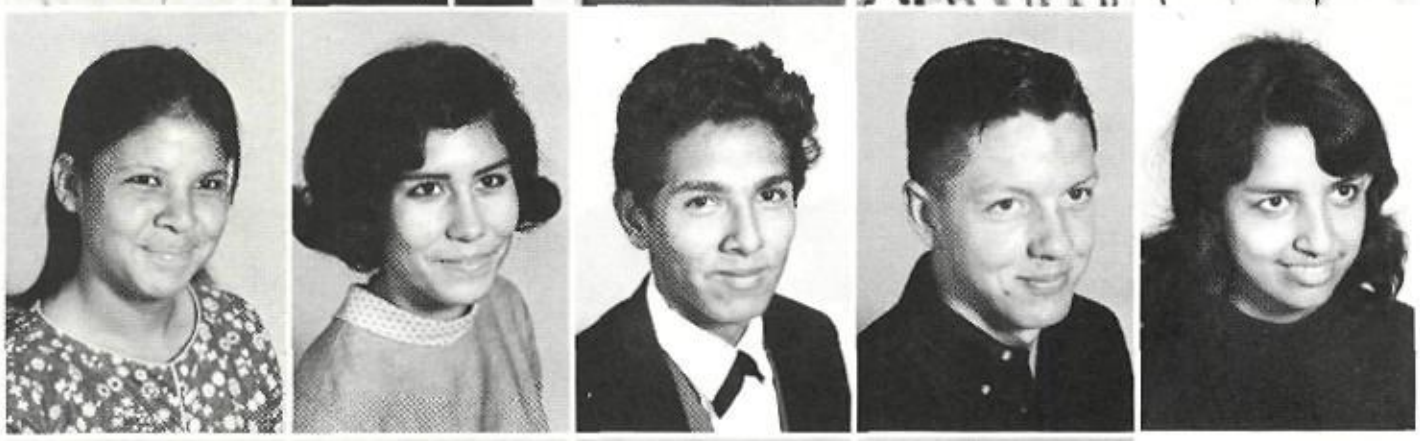

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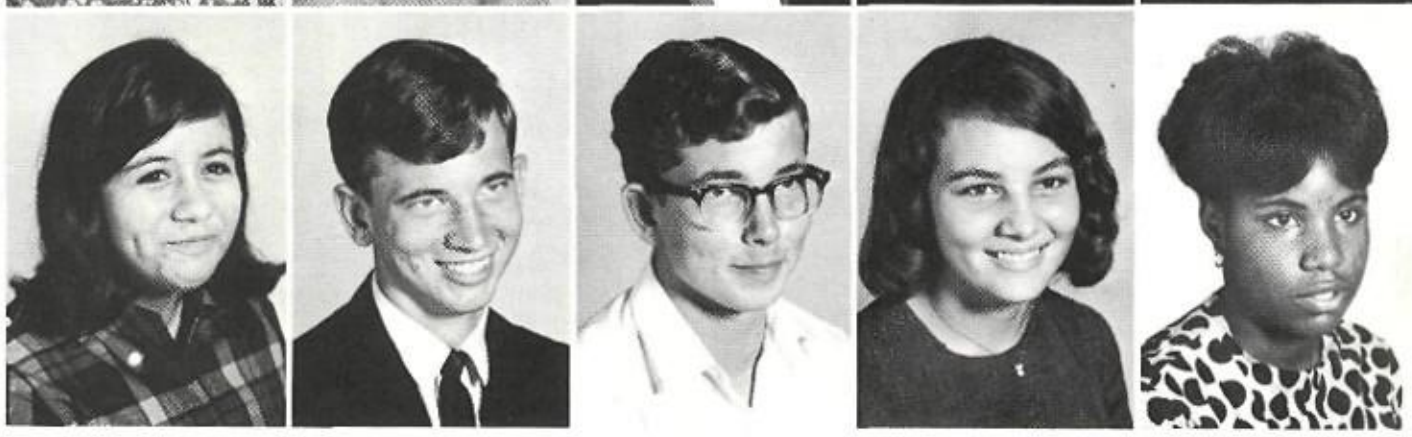

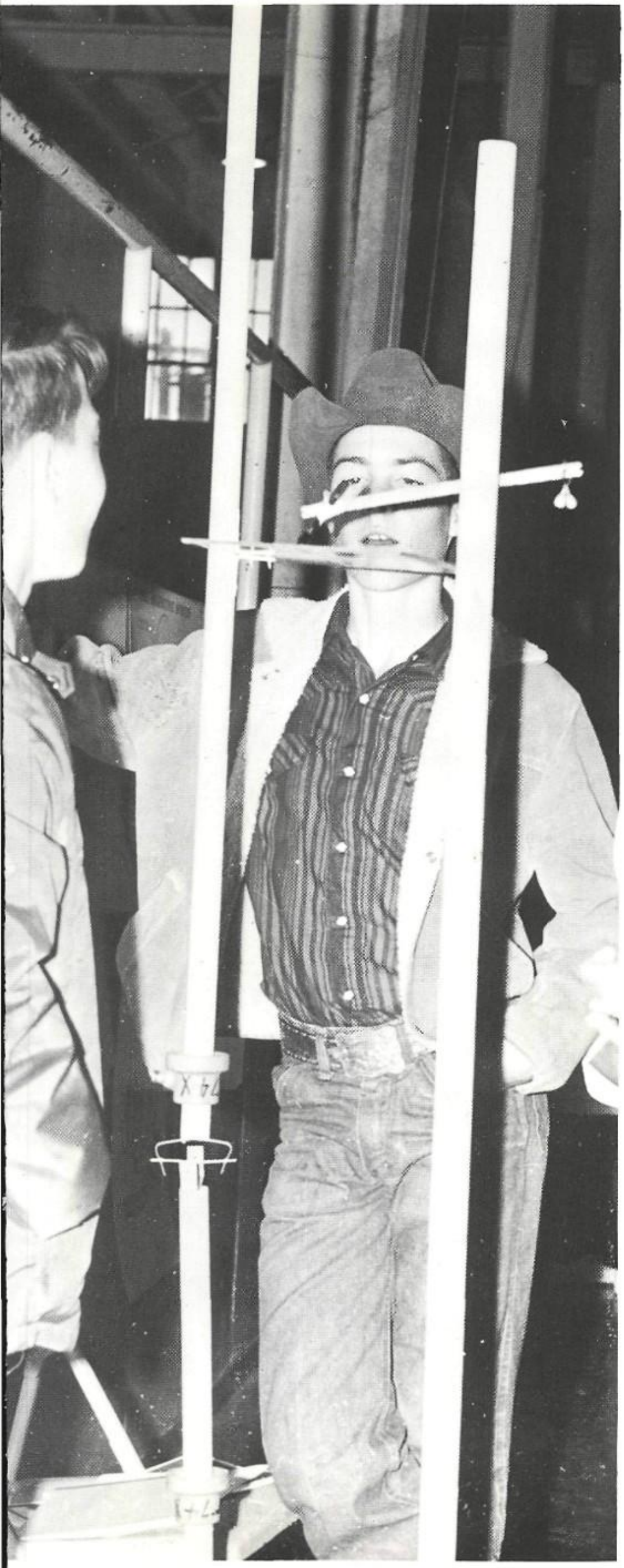

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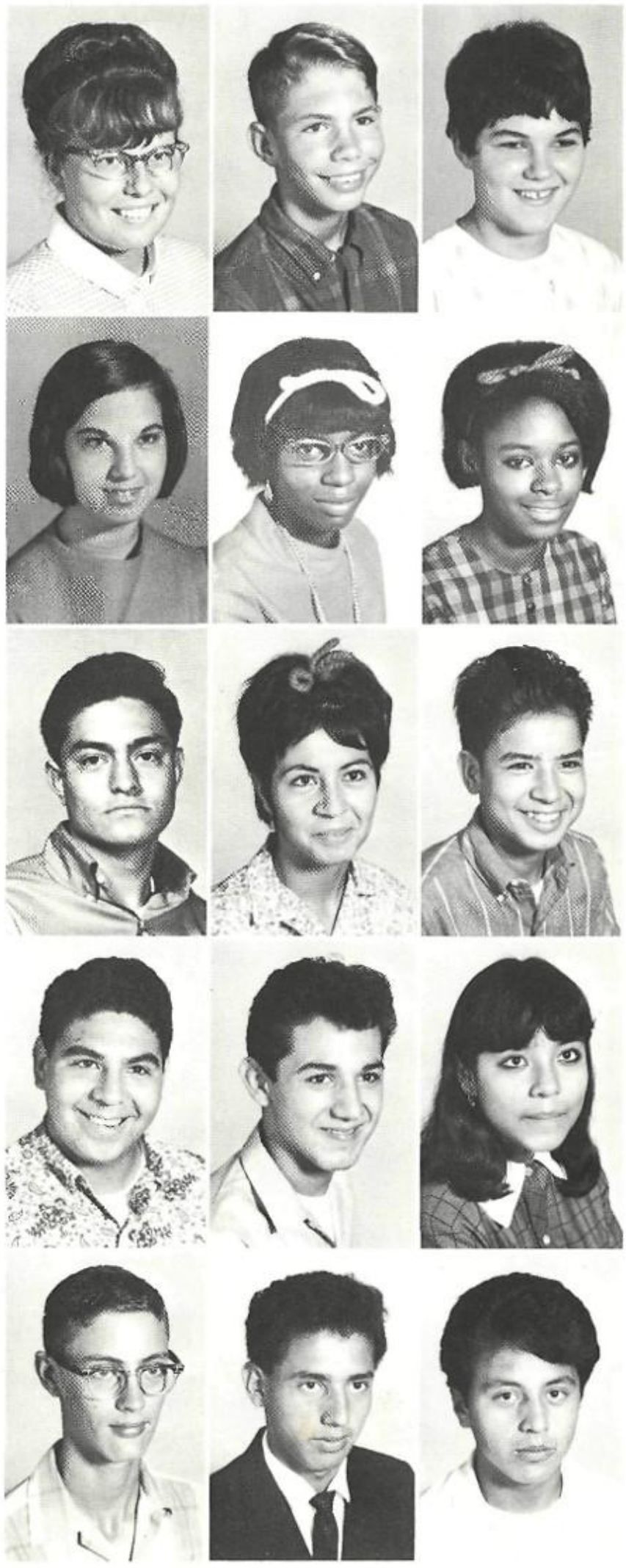

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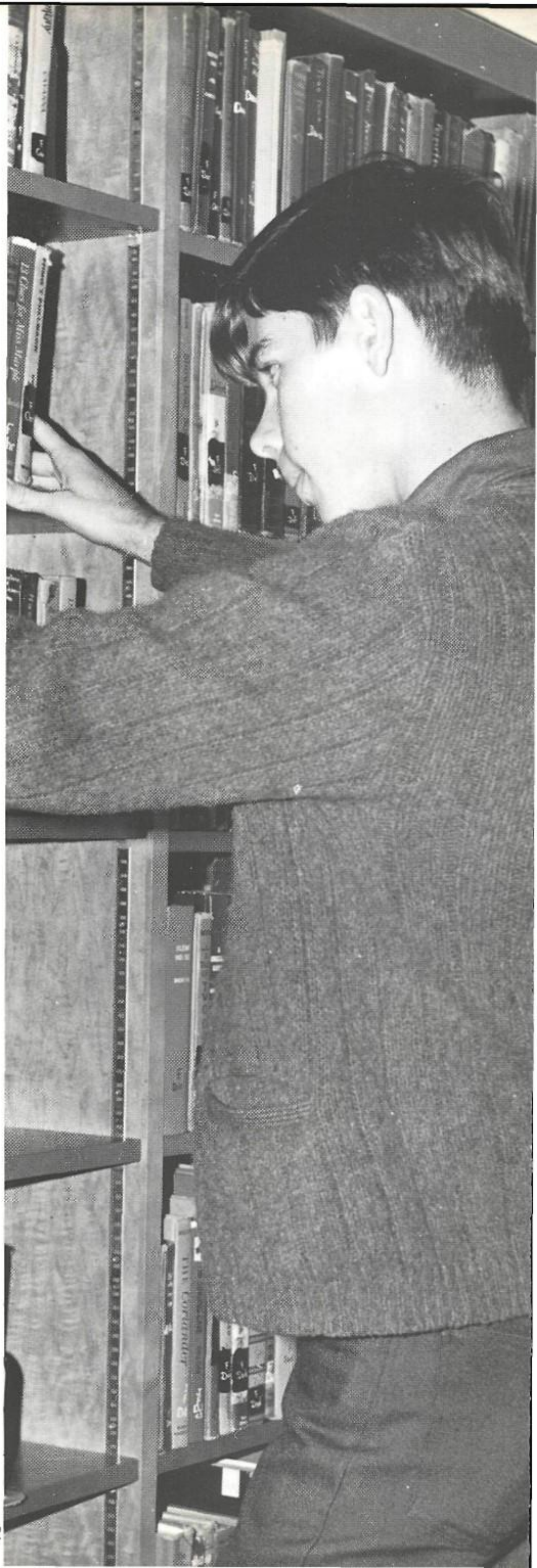

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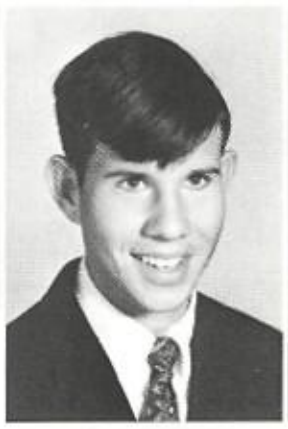

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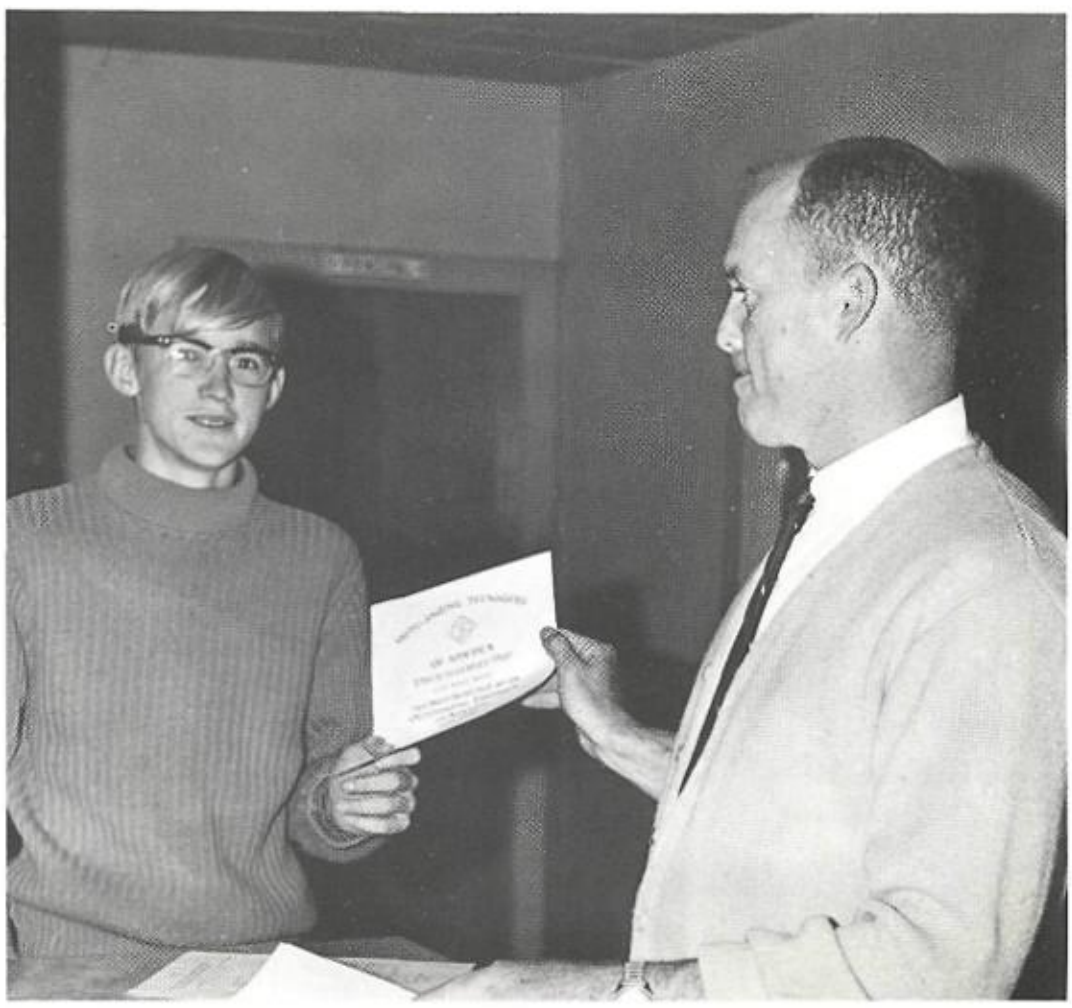

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Skill Is Gained Through Participation

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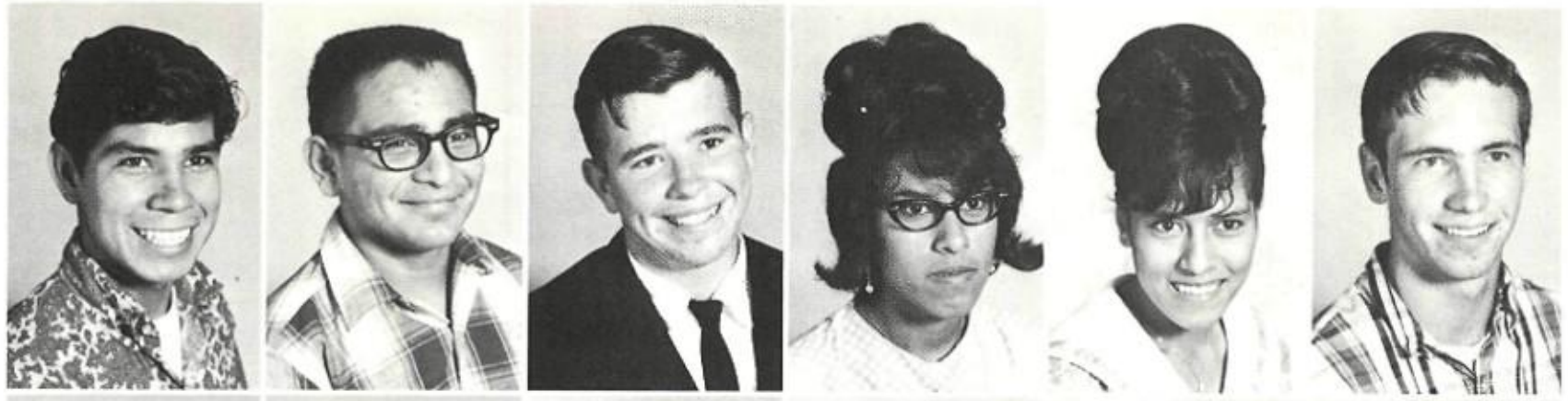

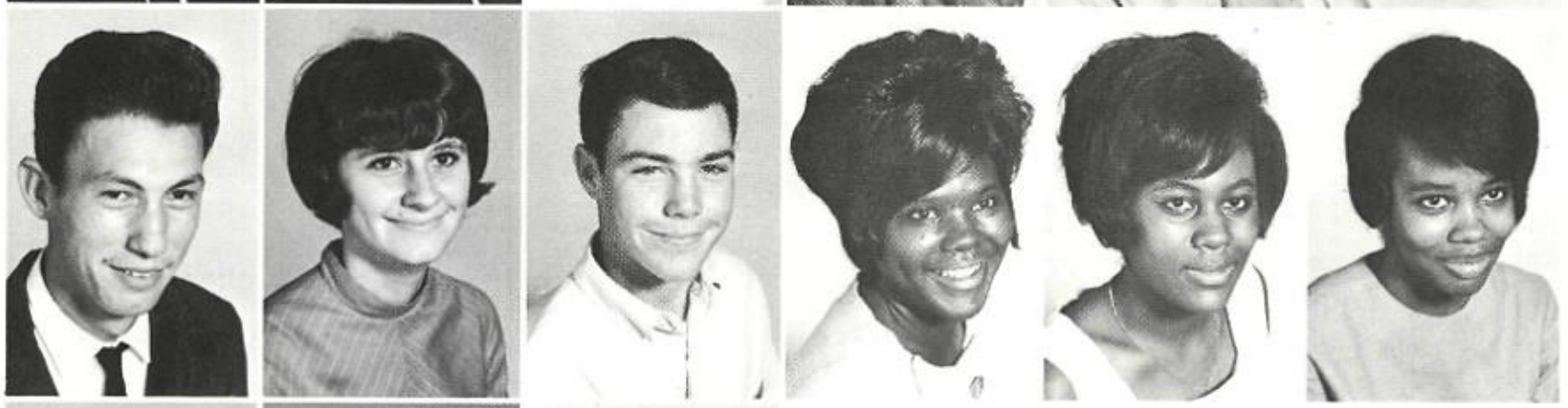

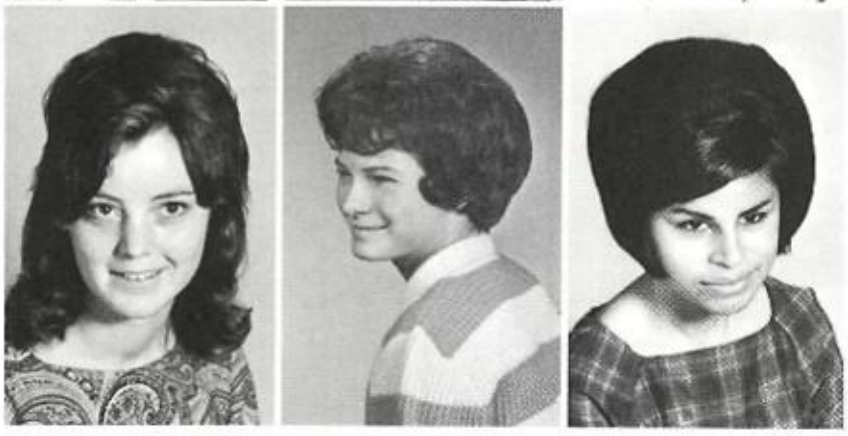

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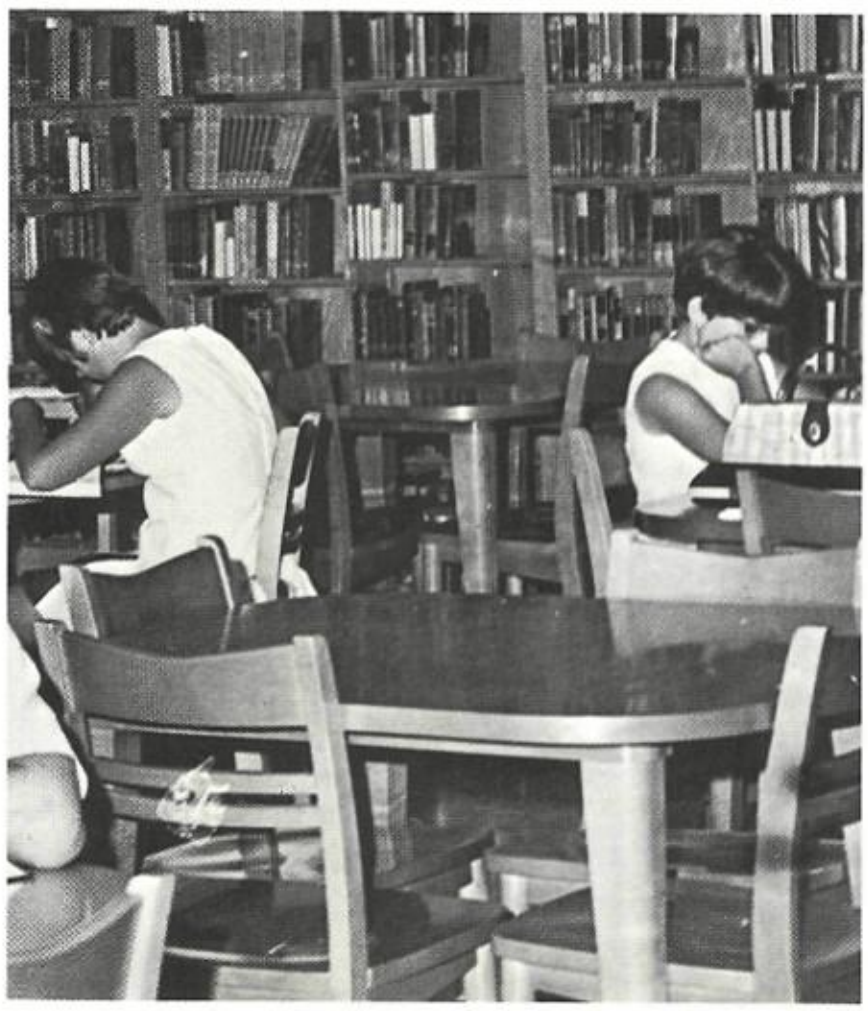

Freshmen

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JOE PUENTES
RANDY MONTGOMERY
BUDDY HOWARD
DENEANE WENDEL

Karen Abrahams
Pam Bennett
Lusie Bustos
Roy Cisneros
George Cruz
Neal Floerke

Arnulfo Acosta
Virginia Blair
Idalina Casino
Lucio Coronado
Gilbert Cruz
Roy Ford

John Acosta
Jane Boils
Juan Castenada
Mary Corullo
Juanita Cruz
Josephine Galindo

Roy Aguierre
Dennis Brezina
Petra Castenada
Delores Cortez
Rosita Cruz
Robert Galindo

Alan Barbee
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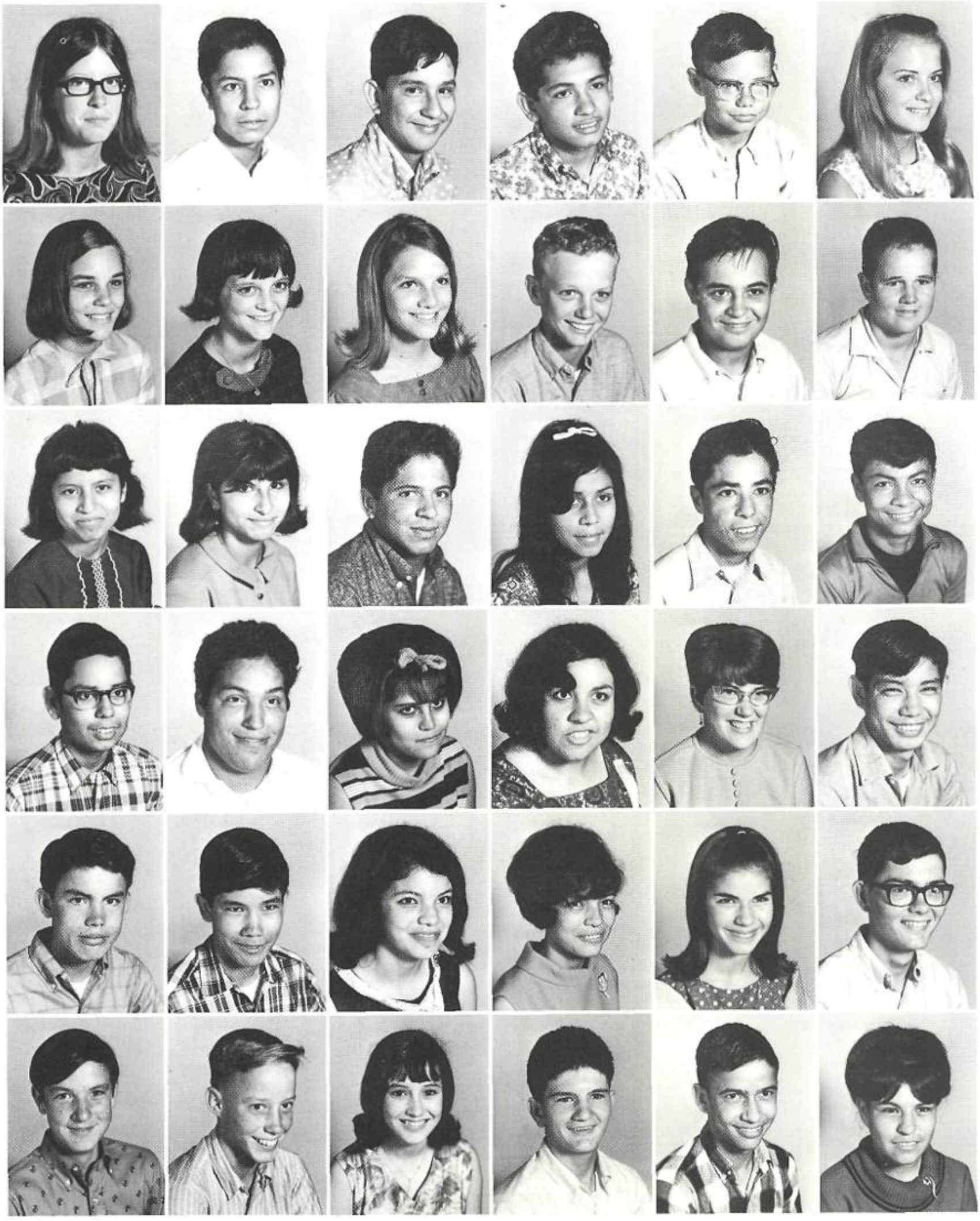

Freshman Adjust to New Pace

Daphne Gibson
Jaime Gomez
Cindy Gonzales
Joe Gomzales
Juan Gonzales

Isabel Gonzales
Mario Gonzales
Odilia Gonzales
Jimmy Gossett
Sherry Gossett

Barbara Gracey
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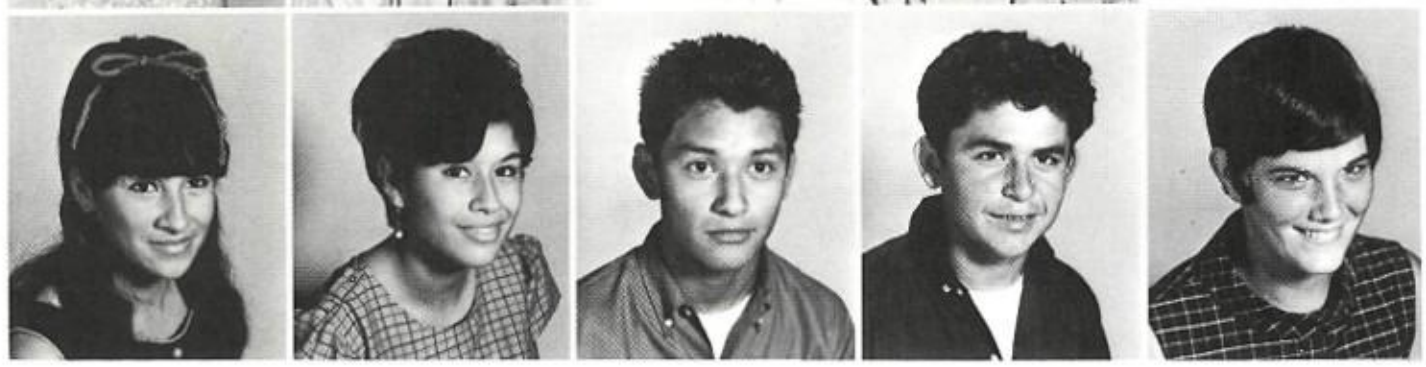

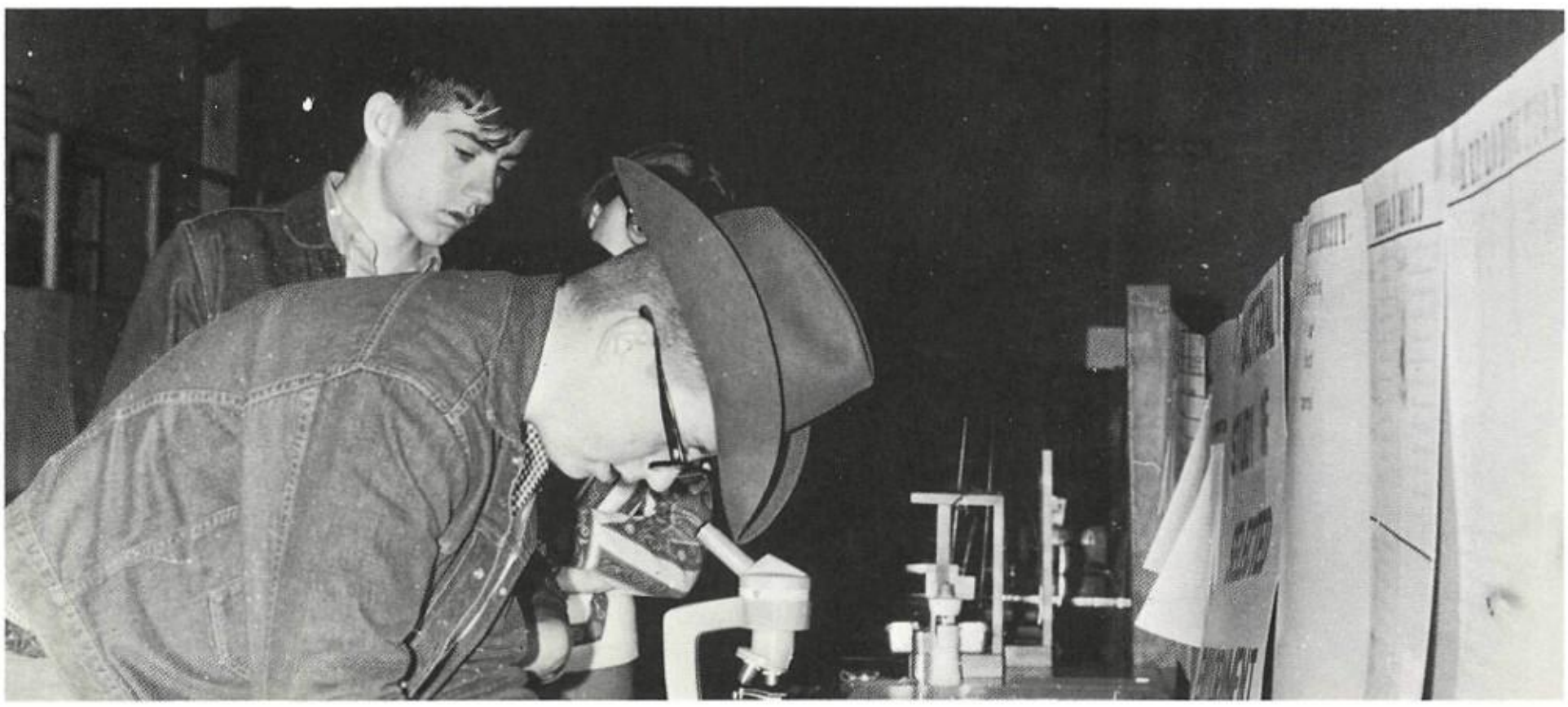

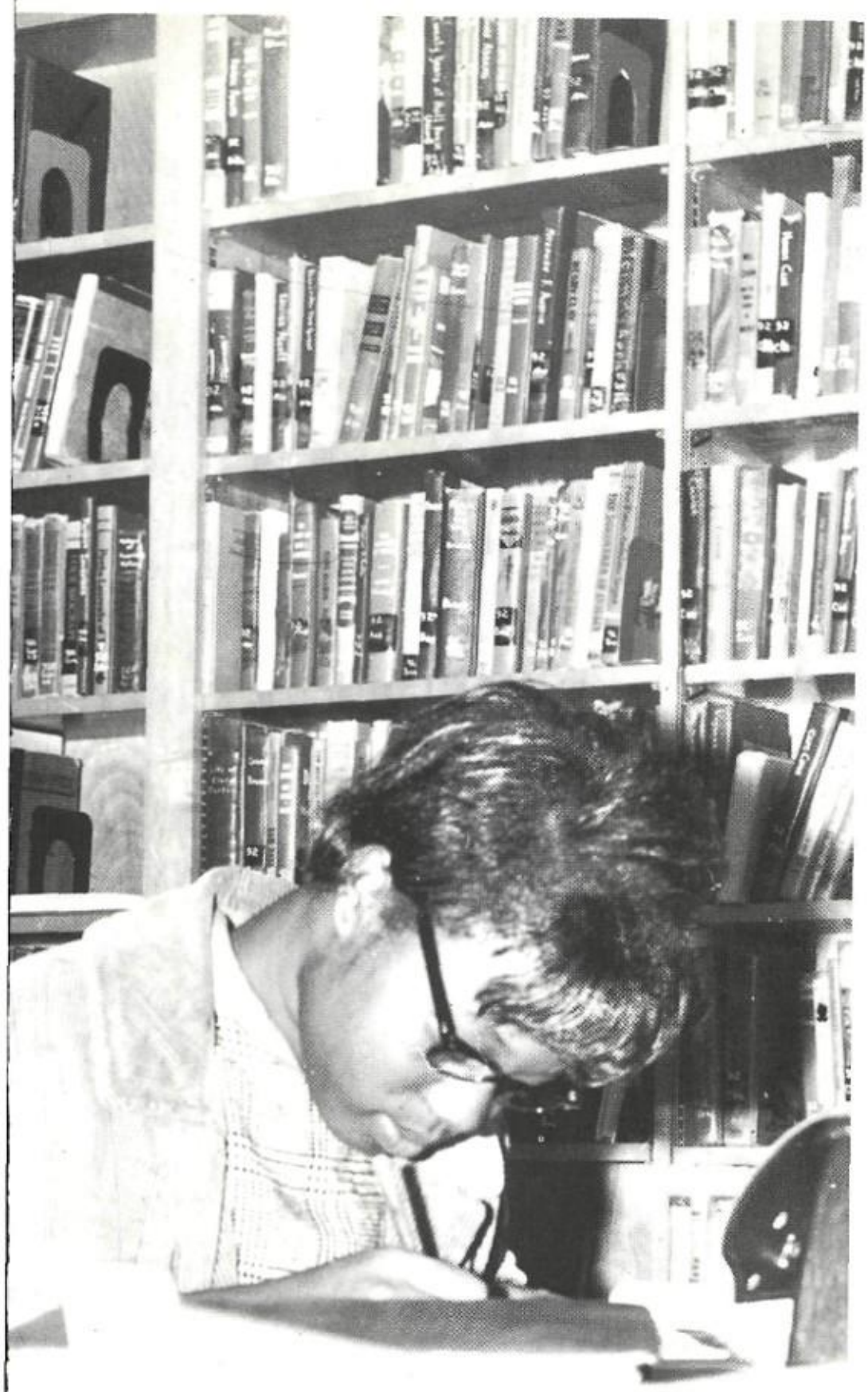

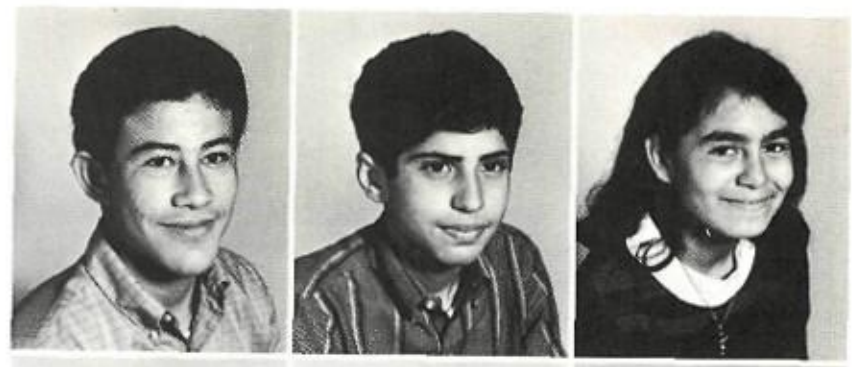

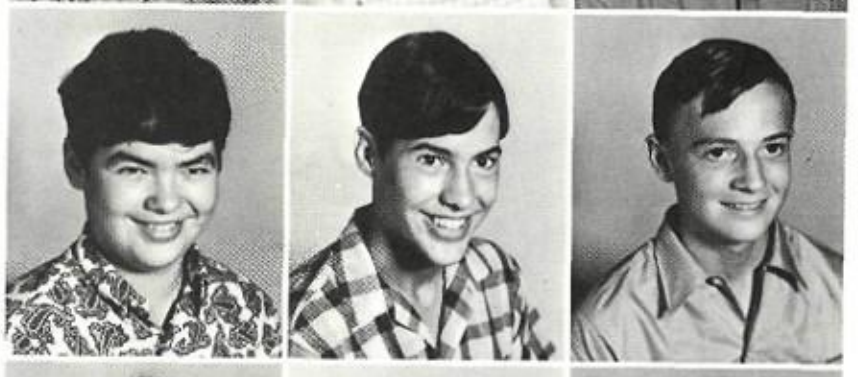

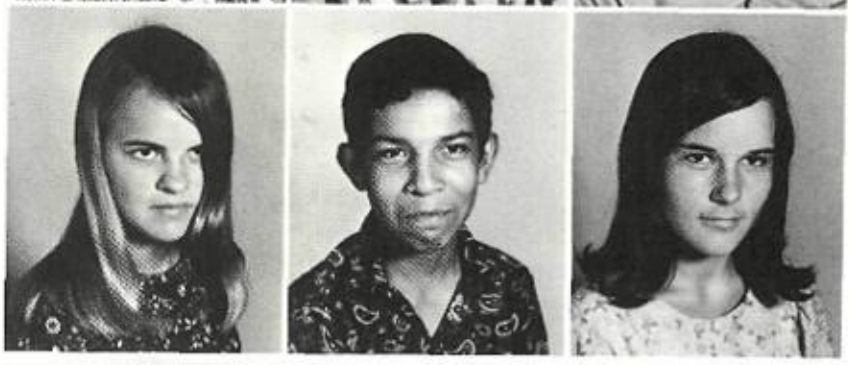

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Hector Martinez

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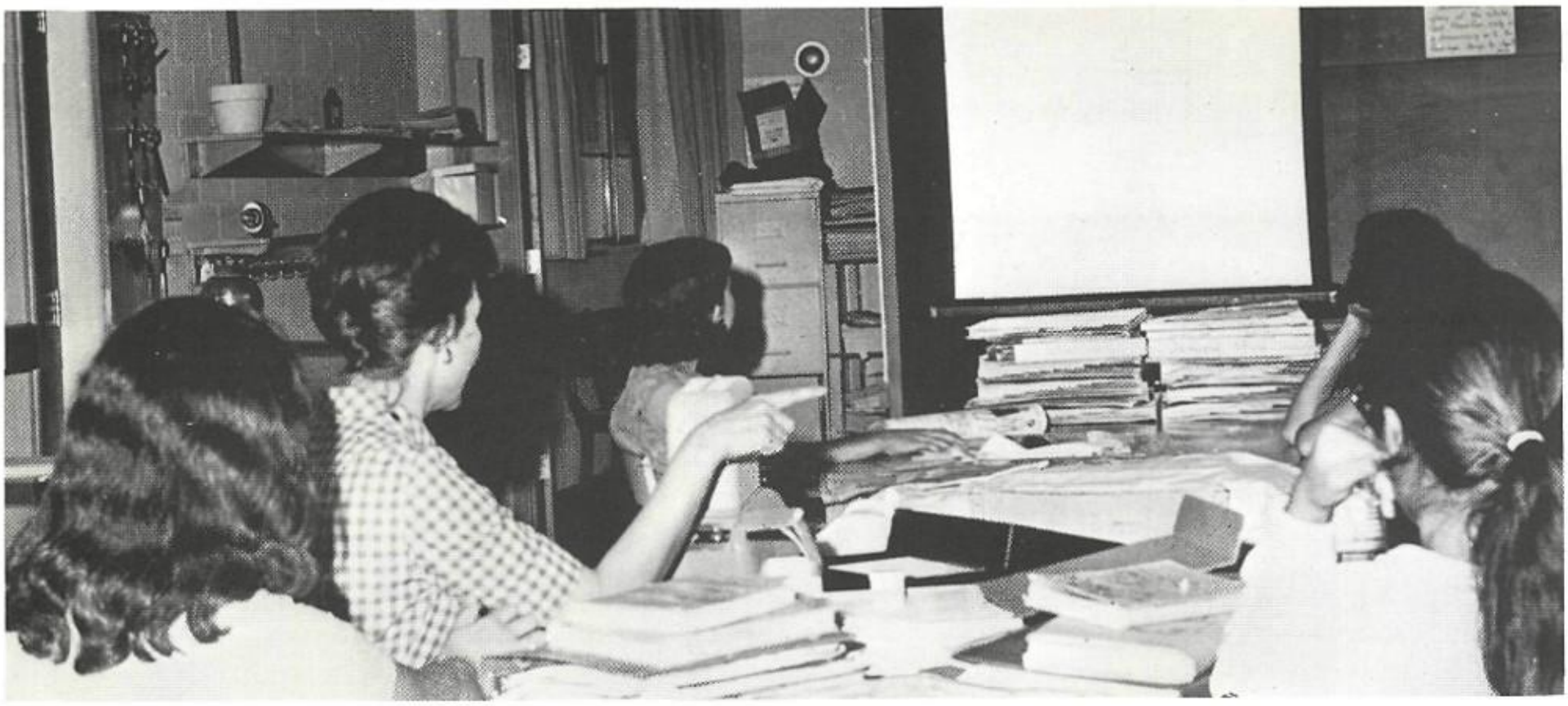

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Monty Montgomery
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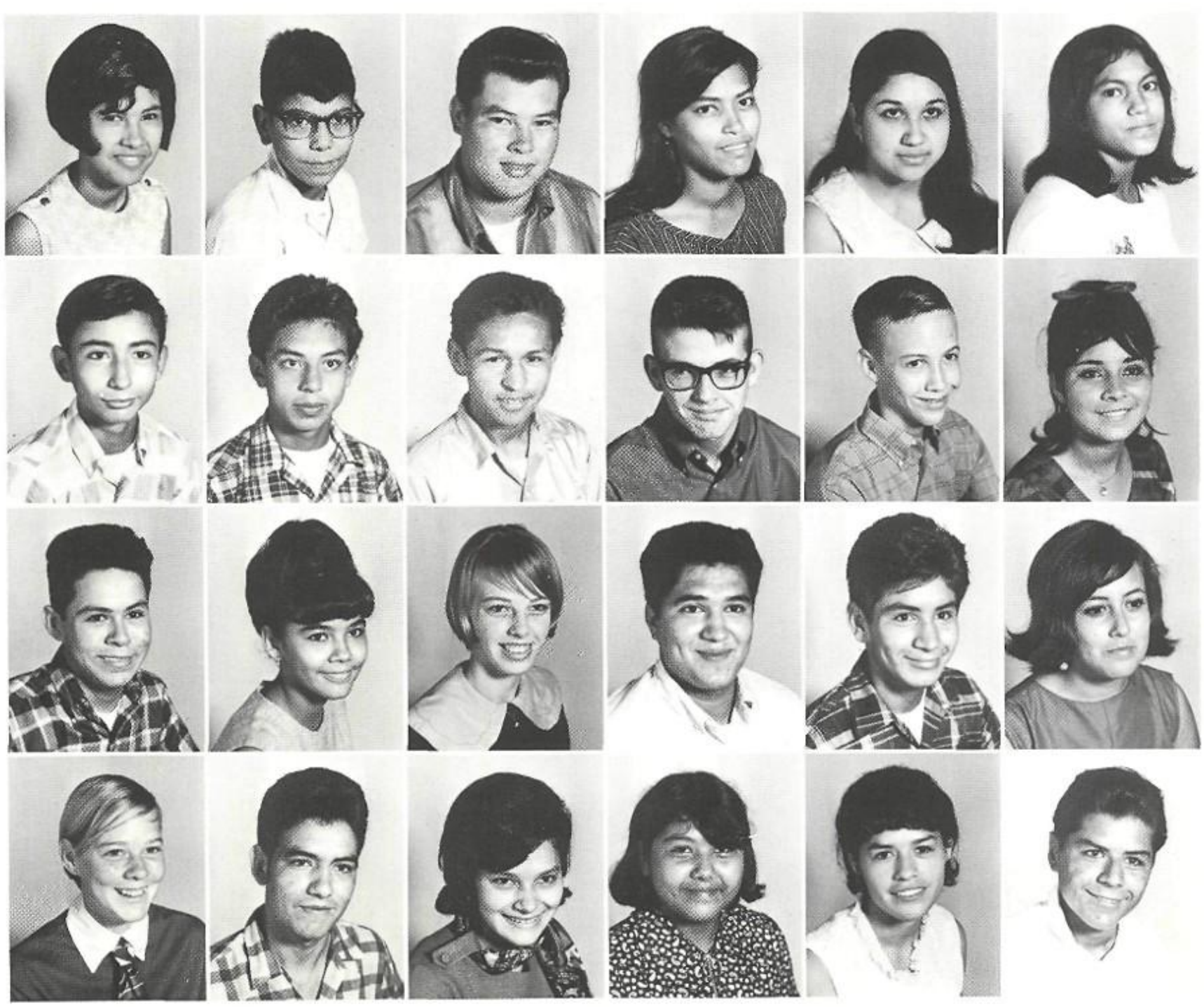

THS Welcomes Addition of Freshman Talent

Chuck Patterson
Delbert Pena
Deryl Phillips
Ann Rachal
Janie Ramirez
Martha Robertson

Jodie Patterson
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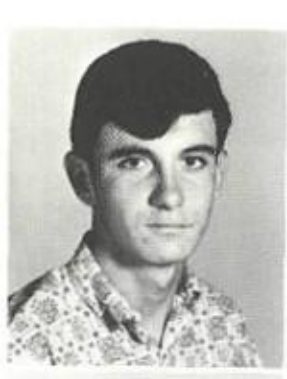

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John Rodriguez
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Mary Rodriguez
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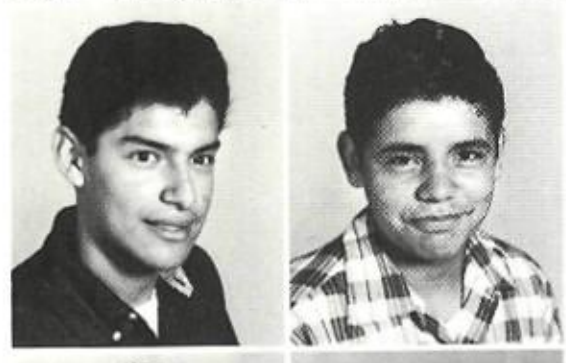

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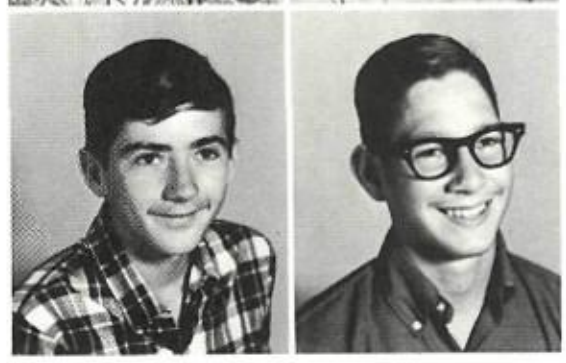

Exams Require Orientation

Mary Jane Schmidt
Ignecio Soliz
Richard Threadgill
Jimmy Villalobos
Roxanne Schmidt
Larry Standlee
Adela Torres
Connie Webber
Albert Serna
Nancy Sturgeon
Juan Vera
Denean Wendell
Leo Sifuentes
Agapita Tagle
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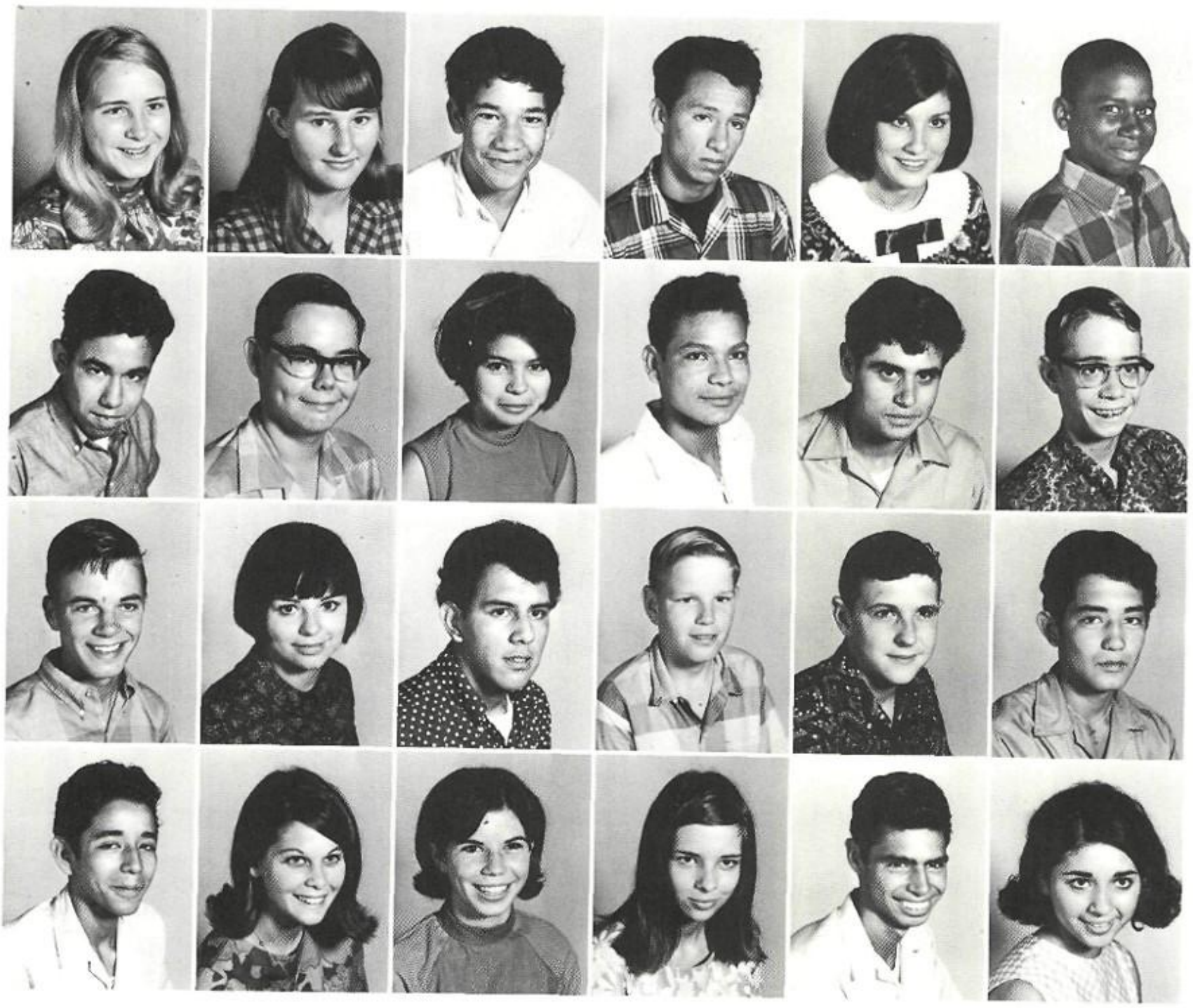

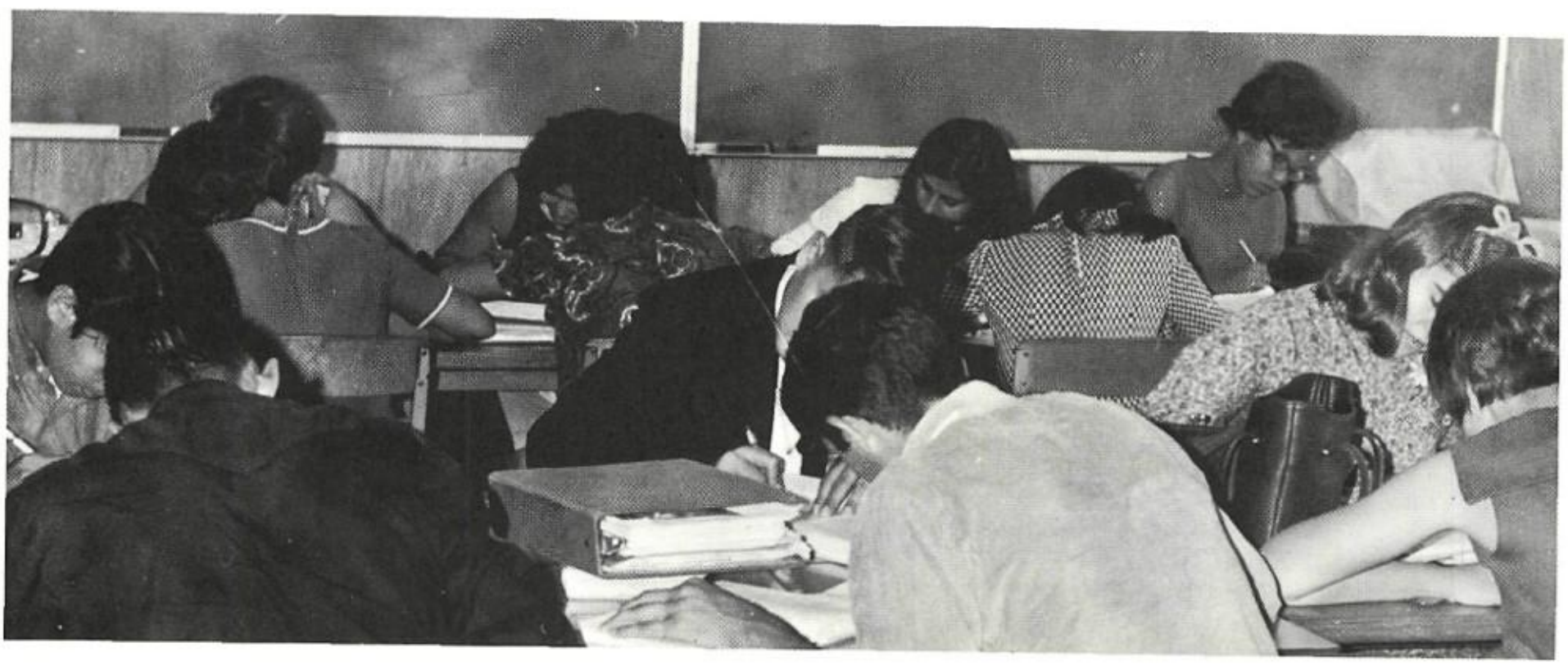

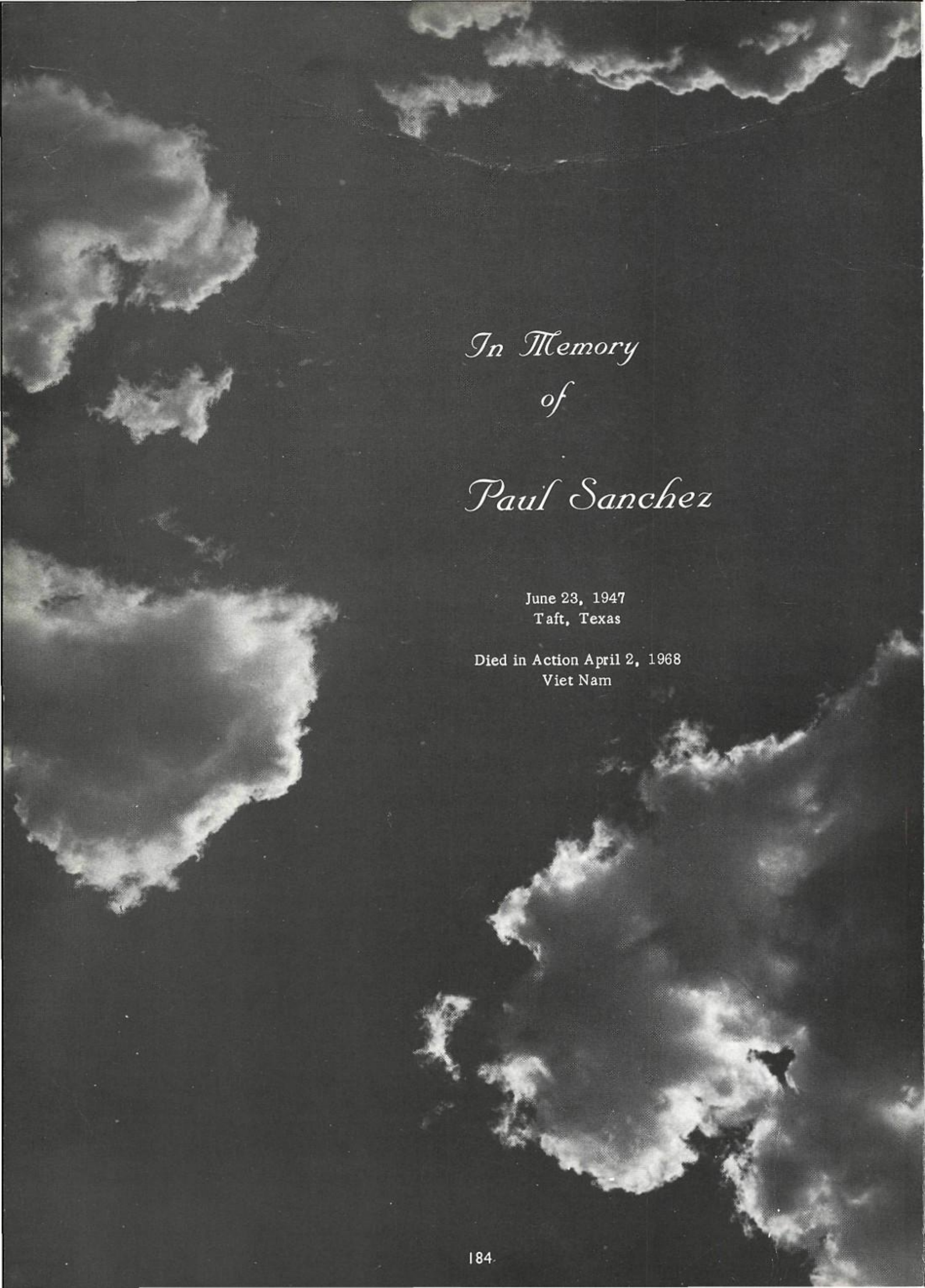

In Memory

of

Paul Sanchez

June 23, 1947
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